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Fire Consultant Slams Highlands East Deputy Reeve & Councillor

This week Fire and Security Consultant Peter Corfield had some harsh words for Highlands East Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie and Councillor Gary Stoughton for disparaging remarks that they made in July about Corfield and the draft Fire Master Plan that his firm prepared for the municipality.

The document that Corfield submitted to Council in June included some harsh realities and strong recommendations about closing several of the firehalls, reducing the complement of fire fighters, instituting mandatory retirement for fire fighters over 60 years of age, tightening up by-laws, selling off excess equipment and even amalgamating the Wilberforce firehall with a new municipal office.

At the time that the report was submitted, the Council received it with very little comment or questions. Reeve Dave Burton said at the time that it was a lot for Council to absorb and suggested that Corfield return to go over some of his recommendations in detail and answer any questions Council might have. That opportunity was not afforded to Corfield and while he had anticipated attending the meeting in July, he was called and advised he need

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Back To School!

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Algonquin Highlands Reverses Recent Firearms By-law

In the wake of an instant and negative reaction to their new Firearms By-law which precluded hunters from traversing road allowances with a loaded firearm, the Algonquin Highlands Council has, once again, altered the by-law. The by-law now prohibits discharging guns or other firearms, for the purpose of target 'practice, in 'any area zoned residential, commercial, industrial, recreational or community facility' as defined by their comprehensive zoning by-law.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison prefaced a report by By-law Enforcement Officer Mitch Ogrady by voicing her disappointment in the fact that the members of the public who were concerned with the by-law had gone directly to the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) and the press, rather than approaching members of Council directly.

Ogrady reported that the changes had come about as a result of complaints in July that people were discharging firearms in a municipal gravel pit. He said that his investigation had resulted in discovering clay pigeons and empty casings adjacent to the Little Hawk Landing site. Subsequent discussions with the OPP and Ministry of Natural Resources officials indicated that it was the municipality's responsibility to regulate and control.

According to Ogrady the old by-law, which has been in place for the past seven years, was not specific enough to provide sufficient authority to deal with complaints about incidents of target

"It was simply a good opportunity to tweak the by-law."
(By-Law Officer Mitch Ogrady)

practicing. In a bit of an understatement, Ogrady confirmed that the recent changes had not been taken lightly by the Anglers and Hunters.

In fact, the letter from OFAH which represents over 100,000 members, 660 clubs and hundreds of local hunt camps within Algonquin Highlands had a number of problems with the by-law. In the letter Greg Farrant, OFAH's Manager of Government Relations and Communications, acknowledged Council's attempt at due diligence and their good intentions, but called the new by-law 'extremely problematic.'

Farrant's first concern was the use of the term 'weapon' which he said was not only pejorative, but completely inaccurate. According to Farrant, a firearm only becomes a weapon when it is used illegally to shoot someone or something and the use of the word to describe a legal firearm was highly offensive to the thousands of responsible, licensed, trained and law abiding hunters in Algonquin Highlands.

Farrant wrote that the amended by-law went far beyond simply addressing complaints about recreational shooting at a local gravel pit and made it extremely difficult for hunters to know definitively if they were using an unopened road allowance or not, something which could open them up to being charged for simply doing what they had done for years. He suggested that even if the intent of Council was not to have the by-law enforcement officer travelling unopened road allowances looking

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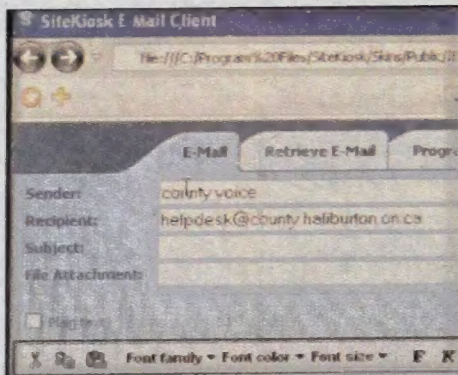
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Minden Library Opens



The first email received



Fancy Nancy is Colleen Petric's favourite book. Four year old Colleen was the first youngster to visit Minden's new library.

A Lot of Firsts....



George Hewitt checks out the first book, *Murder One*. "I like westerns", Hewitt states, "but I read what I can find in large print. My eyesight isn't as good as it was 30 or 40 years ago."



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The first to check out the computers



Librarian, Diane Peacock receives the first phone call.



First in the doors

Photos & Story By:
Lyn Winans

It was a day of firsts, the first to get a peek in the window, the first in the door, the first phone call, the first book checked out, the first kid, the first on the new computers and the first jig.

The new Minden Library opened its doors for business on September 8th. After a rather seedy past life crammed within small spaces inside banks, a printing office, registry office, post office and as an afterthought in the present cultural center, the Minden Library has a new 5000 square foot area to call its own. Spacious, bright, and well equipped, it's no wonder people were excited. The library committee members and librarians in attendance seemed as proud as new parents while accepting compliments from regular people, library users whose presence validated their efforts in a very real way. The official opening isn't until October 2nd, but somehow it may not exude the same magic that was witnessed during this day of "firsts".

Library hours are: Tuesday to Thursday - 10 AM to 8PM, Friday & Saturday-10 AM to 5 PM. ■



The first jig, courtesy of Councilor, Rick Ratcliff. This may become a new literacy fad.

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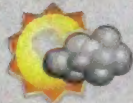
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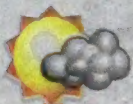
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SUNDAY



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MONDAY



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TUESDAY



Partly sunny and pleasant
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WEDNESDAY



Continued partly sunny
▲ 25° ▼ 11°

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Acapulco	32/26/ls	31/26/ls	31/26/cl	Montego Bay	32/26/ls	32/26/pc	32/27/su
Antigua	32/26/pc	32/26/pc	31/26/su	Nassau	31/25/ls	32/26/ls	31/28/sh
Barbados	31/27/pc	31/27/pc	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	32/25/ls	32/26/ls	33/26/cl
Bermuda	31/24/ls	30/24/pc	31/26/sh	Puerto Vallarta	32/24/ls	31/24/ls	29/23/na
Cancun	33/26/ls	32/26/pc	32/26/na	St. Thomas	32/26/ls	32/27/pc	31/26/pc
Curacao	33/27/su	32/26/pc	31/24/ls	St. Maarten	32/26/ls	31/27/pc	31/27/su
Freeport	30/24/ls	31/25/ls	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	27/21/ls	27/19/ls	31/21/ra
Georgetown	31/25/ls	32/24/ls	31/23/ls	San Juan	31/26/ls	32/26/pc	32/25/su
Havana	31/24/ls	32/24/ls	34/24/su	San Salvador	32/24/ls	32/24/ls	32/22/su
Key West	31/25/ls	31/26/ls	32/28/ls	Santo Domingo	32/26/ls	32/26/ls	33/26/su
Kingston	32/26/ls	32/26/pc	33/32/su	Trinidad	32/26/ls	32/26/ls	32/27/ra

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Bancroft	23/9/pc	23/9/pc	24/10/pc	24/10/pc	24/10/pc	25/11/pc	25/11/pc
Barrie	24/10/pc	23/10/pc	24/10/pc	24/10/pc	24/10/pc	26/11/pc	26/11/pc
Dorset	23/9/pc	23/9/pc	24/9/pc	24/10/pc	24/10/pc	25/11/pc	25/11/pc
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Oshawa	24/11/pc	23/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/11/pc	25/11/pc	26/12/pc	26/12/pc
Ottawa	23/11/pc	23/12/sh	22/10/pc	23/11/pc	23/11/pc	23/11/pc	23/11/pc
Toronto	24/11/pc	23/11/pc	25/11/pc	25/11/pc	25/11/pc	26/12/pc	26/12/pc

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Calgary	23/7/su	25/9/su	26/13/su	27/13/su	27/13/su	28/13/pc	29/13/pc
Edmonton	21/7/sh	23/9/cl	23/9/pc	23/9/cl	23/9/cl	26/11/pc	26/11/pc
Fredericton	22/10/su	23/11/sh	19/11/sh	19/11/sh	19/11/sh	19/12/pc	19/12/pc
Halifax	19/11/pc	21/12/sh	19/11/sh	19/11/pc	19/11/pc	19/12/pc	19/12/pc
Montreal	23/11/pc	21/12/sh	21/10/pc	21/10/pc	21/10/pc	22/11/pc	21/10/pc
Regina	22/8/sh	24/9/pc	23/13/su	23/13/su	23/13/pc	26/13/su	28/14/su
St. John's	14/6/pc	19/8/pc	18/9/pc	18/9/pc	18/9/pc	18/9/pc	18/9/pc
Saskatoon	19/7/sh	21/8/cl	23/10/pc	23/10/pc	23/10/pc	24/11/su	27/12/su
Vancouver	20/13/pc	22/11/su	22/11/pc	19/11/sh	24/13/sh	24/13/sh	24/13/sh
Whitehorse	13/3/sh	13/4/sh	17/4/sh	17/4/sh	17/4/sh	17/6/sh	16/4/sh
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Thursday 9/3	24°C	8°C	0.0 mm
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Sat.	6:49 a.m./7:30 p.m.	none/3:40 p.m.
Sun.	6:51 a.m./7:28 p.m.	12:12 a.m./4:30 p.m.
Mon.	6:52 a.m./7:26 p.m.	1:28 a.m./5:09 p.m.
Tues.	6:53 a.m./7:25 p.m.	2:48 a.m./5:41 p.m.
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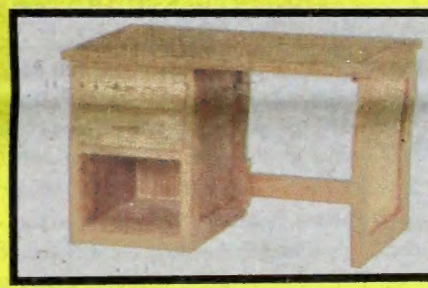
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Letter of the Week

Dear Editor:

"I hope we will also ban cell phones, microwave towers, hydro transmission lines ... because they are also hazardous to our health."

Lately the local papers have been full of articles on CUME and their fight to stop uranium mining in Ontario.

Frankly I couldn't agree with these people more! If it is that dangerous we should ban it all across North America! We should also ban the movement of the material anywhere in the country! Having done that we will be even safer when they shut down the nuclear power plants, because there will be no fuel to run them. There may also be a boost to the country's economy because the morticians will be busier with no raw materials available for nuclear medicine to diagnose disease. That might be offset though with a halt to production of electrical appliances though with no hydro to run them. Maybe we could consider damming up the local lakes and flooding thousands of acres of bear infested woods to create safe clean hydro from water?

While we are cleaning up the hazard from uranium, I hope we will also ban cell phones, microwave towers, hydro transmission lines, smoke detectors, and CFL's because they are also hazardous to our health. Then there is the food we eat contaminated with growth hormones, antibiotics, insecticides, herbicides, and radiated! The landfills, chemical dumps, and fertilizers leach a chemical stew into our ground water. What about the hundreds of toxic cleaning materials in our kitchens? Not to mention the chemicals in the upholstery in our cars and carpets. All those leaking septic tanks around the lakes. All those boats, cars, trucks, trains, planes and other gas devices, spewing toxins. And those big honking gasoline and propane tankers, I really don't want to be around one of those if it goes up, talk about instant crispy critters! Probably should ban Natural Gas too -- those pipelines are a blight on the landscape out West and when something goes wrong it sure can level a house with a kaboom!

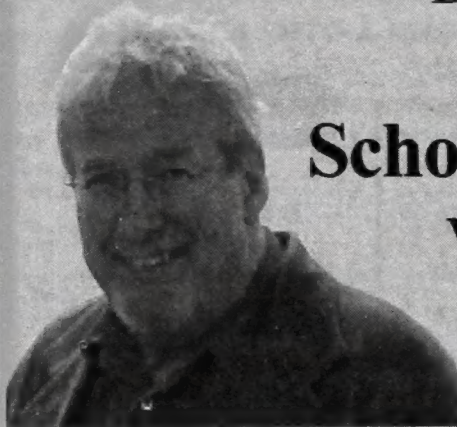
Short of eliminating humans from the planet altogether we are not going to solve all the problems we have created.

But in time, with common sense solutions, we may chip away at them a bit here and there. I just don't believe the members of CUME if faced with no power to run their dishwashers or nuclear medicine to see if they have cancer, would opt to ban the production of uranium. I think their time would be better spent seeking safer ways to mine and handle a material that for all its warts we can't presently live without.

Keith Stata,
Kinmount, Ontario. ■

Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick



School's Back: But Where's that Golden Age?

There really was a powerful sense of excitement, hope, and yes, some anxiety, in the faces of Haliburton's children as they ran, skipped, or sauntered into the County's elementary schools this past Tuesday. You'd have to be seriously jaded not to feel this surge of pure energy and the power of new beginnings, undiminished expectations, and finally, hope for our future. No wonder how so many teachers and assistants, despite myriad frustrations and bureaucratic bungling and the occasional parent who thinks you're on holiday all year, wouldn't trade their jobs for any other in the world.

Last year I spoke at length with Dale Robinson on the occasion of his retirement after 40 years as a Haliburton teacher, principal, and finally Superintendent of Education. "The best teachers are the ones who truly love children and young people, who love to teach them, and who strive to see the potential in every single student," said Robinson. "Some will become teachers or doctors or lawyers: others will build houses, or fix your plumbing, or open a new retail business. The great teacher will be instrumental in helping each one get to where they want to go in life, as citizens of our community and the world. That challenge is just one reason why I thought I had the best job in the world."

It's often comforting, and fashionable, to look back on one's own youth and education as representing some kind of golden age: politically it's often been popular to ride that bandwagon, sometimes over a cliff, but nevertheless glorifying a dimly remembered past can still be irresistible. I started school in the late 1940s, in a small village outside of Hamilton, and let me tell you, folks, golden it wasn't. Except perhaps for my Grade Two teacher, the beautiful Mrs. Logan: my fondest memory, undoubtedly false, is that I spent the entire year sitting on her knee. What's unquestionably true is that her husband was the late, great Tiger Cat offensive end and place-kicker J.R. 'Tip' Logan, possessor of the CFL record, at the time, for most consecutive regular season converts (13, and I'll take bets.) Once in a while he'd show up at the school, say hello, and shake hands with deep solemnity and respect. Heaven, for a six year old.

Of course there were wonderful and deeply dedicated teachers way back then, but no one seriously thinks the system itself, the facilities, the opportunities and the sensitivity to difference, hasn't improved a hundred fold. Even on a social level the improvements have been remarkable. Dale Robinson remembers when there was a fight a day in the 1960s at Haliburton High School. "The difference in respect for others has perhaps been the greatest single change I can recall in terms of student behaviour," Robinson said.

But still the government can't resist trying to quantify education, notably in this province through what's called the EQAO tests. It's hard to find a teacher or school administrator who has much to say for them, privately at least, and as Rick Salutin pointed out recently in the Globe and Mail over concern that the results weren't showing improvement, "Kids who did poorly didn't improve: those who did well plateaued. So it's pointless, as everyone who's tried such tests knows ... Scandinavia, with the best school results anywhere, won't touch them. Here they suck up time and vats of anxiety. They undermine real teaching. Yet Ontario won't stop."

Because, of course, politicians know the appeal of the myth of the golden age, when boys were boys, and girls were suppose to become secretaries. It's deeply reassuring that their aggressive nostalgia isn't shared by many of our talented and imaginative teachers. ■

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\$2.26 Million Dollar Airport Project Awarded

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Even though a number of unknowns continue to hover around the controversial Stanhope Airport expansion project, last week the Algonquin Highlands Council awarded the contract for both rehabilitation and expansion of the airport to Todd Brothers Contracting in the amount of \$2.26 million dollars. The decision to award the contract came rapidly on the heels of a letter from Transport, Infrastructure and Communities Minister John Baird authorizing the municipality to begin construction of the planned rehabilitation work associated with the first phase of the project.

As CAO Lorne Mitchell pointed out to Council, the letter from Baird advised the municipality that contact with the Environmental Review and Approvals Branch of Infrastructure Canada was needed to ensure that none of the phase one activities trigger the requirement for an environmental assessment. To some degree this flies in the face of the fact that at present the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) is conducting a screening level assessment of the project as a whole.

Mitchell, however, advised Council that initial conversations held with CEAA officials indicated that the municipality would likely be able to move forward with the project immediately and that he expected to receive confirmation of that shortly.

Mitchell also reviewed the tender process followed, saying that in April they had run ads in the local newspapers tendering construction of the airport expansion project. At that time they received and opened fifteen bids (ranging from \$2.26 to \$3.5 million dollars) but according to Mitchell, given the need for an environmental assessment, they had not awarded the project.

Mitchell said that with the environmental assessment process under way and the reference checks completed for the lowest bidder, he recommended awarding the full amount of the contract. He also drew Council's attention to a waiver signed by Ross Todd, President of Todd Brothers Contracting, acknowledging that the company would not seek any compensation for damages due to timing delays or work identified but not completed on the project in the event that the township could not proceed with any of the phases or due to the withdrawal of funding for any reason.

Mitchell told Council that he had run the waiver and the recommendation to proceed with contract award by their lawyer, who advised that they could proceed.

Councillor Carol Moffatt inquired why the contract was being awarded when the environmental assessment was not completed. Reeve Eleanor Harrison assured Moffatt that the first phase of the project did not require an environmental assessment and reminded Council that the Maple, Beech and Cameron Area Lakes Property Owners Association (MBC) and other lake associations were not against the rehabilitation of existing facilities.

Mitchell commented that the resolution would allow the municipality to proceed with the rehabilitation work without the need to call a special meeting and Harrison reminded Council that they were up against time lines for the asphalt portion of the project given quickly approaching colder weather.

Moffatt argued that during the recent public environmental assessment meeting it had been confirmed that the rehabilitation was in fact included in the overall assessment. She asked, "How has the rehabilitation fallen out of that need?" Moffatt also asked if the municipality was in receipt of a letter from Building Canada saying that they are in favour of the two phases and whether their approval met the criteria of the original application.

Harrison and Mitchell confirmed that the contract is under the umbrella of Baird's ministry and the funding comes from within his department as well. Mitchell said, "The waiver gives comfort that we can go ahead and tender the project."

Moffatt, however, asked why Council should move forward on the basis of a phone call but Mitchell assured her that nothing would be done without formal confirmation. He also commented

"I don't want this to come back and bite us." (Councillor Carol Moffatt)

that to wait until after the next Council meeting would create too much delay.

The letter from Baird came about as a result of a meeting in his office during the recent Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) meeting in Ottawa. As the discussion continued and assurances were provided by Harrison and Mitchell, Moffatt inquired who Harrison had met with in Ottawa and why, when Moffatt was the only other councillor present at AMO, she had not been invited to attend, which would have allowed her to gain a better understanding of what had transpired. No real answer was provided to this question.

Moffatt again asked for assurances from Harrison and Mitchell that the resolution did not have to say they were awarding the rehabilitation portion of the project only. Mitchell said, "We have to award it this way," and "This is still one project."

Harrison said, "The funding is still based on a single project and relates back to (MP Barry) Devolin's recommendation for a single project that is to be phased in." Harrison also said that if the municipality had proceeded with MBC's recommendation to only do the rehabilitation work, they would have had to re-apply for the funds. She said, "This is still a single project, but it's now in two phases and I agree we may never be able to do the second phase."

Moffatt said, "If you are confident that this will not put the township at risk then I will agree with the rehabilitation. I just don't want this to come back and bite us." Harrison confirmed that it was for this very reason that they had asked for legal advice.

The resolution was passed awarding the contract to Todd Brothers for \$2,266,722.78 subject to the requirements of the CEAA.

MBC President Paul MacInnes, who attended the meeting, later said that he continues to be disappointed in the Council overall. He said, "They continue to engender distrust in the public and seem to work very hard to keep things out of the public eye for as long as they can, even to the exclusion of their own members." MacInnes said that to have excluded Moffatt from the meeting in Baird's office in Ottawa was inexcusable.

According to MacInnes, the Council doesn't appear to have a firm understanding of the process. "I suspect they still don't fully understand the environmental assessment process and the box that they're in. It's likely still 45 days or more away from them getting clearance to proceed with even the rehabilitation simply because there are federal dollars involved."

MacInnes also questioned that Council didn't appear to have broken the overall project costs down between the rehabilitation work and the new runway. "What portion of the \$2.26 million dollars is actually attributed to the rehabilitation?" It was MacInnes' fear that the contractor could front end their costs if it looked like they wouldn't be doing the entire project and that, despite the waiver being signed by the contractor, the municipality would be facing stiff penalties later on.

MacInnes said, "Council should have awarded the first phase of the project and even given first right of refusal for the runway expansion. To have awarded the entire contract when they're unsure if they can proceed with it is folly."

In the meantime, despite MBC continuing to stand behind the rehabilitation portion of the project, both MacInnes and the as-

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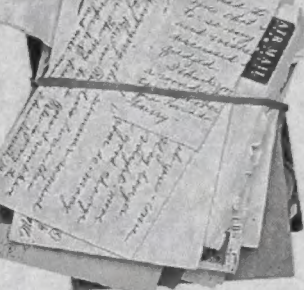
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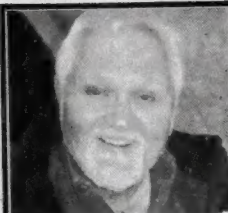
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A long time coming

Legion Mural inspired by Veterans a Challenge for Legion Members and Artist Gailon Valleau

By Zoe Cittern

Six years ago an idea was created to make something so visually impacting that we would not forget what it represented. Six years ago Laurie Tulk who was an executive member of the legion at the time, approached Gailon Valleau, a local artist and painter to make sure her idea would become a reality. Six years later that idea is very much a reality; a large scale mural stretches over the left wall of the Haliburton Royal Canadian Legion, named 'the wall of remembrance.' The mural is a collage of seven pictures which represent the airforce, army, navy, victory, memorial, homecoming and the legion crest. The idea was to "encompass everything about veterans and the war."

When seeing the sheer size of the painting you can see why it took such a long time to finish. Yet Gailon explains it wasn't just the size that she had to conquer, "members of the legion would donate \$25 per cement block for it to be painted." Due to the number of blocks that needed to be sold for each section this added to the lengthy time process. Once a whole section of blocks were sold she would begin painting one section at a time, starting with the legion crest and adding from the middle outwards. Laurie worked hard to get the project off the ground, putting together the financial aspects and carrying out lots of fundraising so she could see her idea put into action. Gailon has now donated her spare time to the last two sections to get the project finished.

The mural is nearly completed, only details like shading have to be added to the hands that represent victory. Gailon took inspiration from the veterans at the legion where she has been a member since 1987. Just applying the basecoat paint to the expansive wall meant that at any given time 12 members of the legion were working on prepping the wall. One weekend and several gallons of paint later the wall was ready. A book now resides in the clubroom of the legion, naming all the sponsors who donated their time and money to the project.

Gailon trained at the Ontario College of Art, and spent a year in Northern Italy where she studied sculpture with an emphasis on marble. After graduating college Gailon wasn't able to afford a studio, and she soon became a professional cook for 25 years, yet still freelancing as an artist. "I've been painting for as long as I can remember." She is now a house painter by trade but paints as often as she can for herself and also when she is commissioned for portraiture work or for other projects.

Gailon finds painting "inherently pleasurable". The mural maybe a work of art but it was definitely a challenge: one that she enjoyed yet sometimes she says "it's as frustrating as it's enjoyable." Gailon believes that the reward after six years is that it is "tremendously satisfying to see your work come out as you envisioned it." She hopes that the project will finally be finished before the end of October, if not then next spring. Yet she is optimistic that soon enough the mural will be completed so she can enjoy her amazing piece of work. ■



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Trails Coordinator Pitches New Fees and Extended Season in Algonquin Highlands

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

During the September 3rd Council meeting, Algonquin Highlands Trails Coordinator Mark Coleman pitched increased user fees and year round operations for Council's consideration. While the hike in fees was approved in principal, Council deferred their decision on extending the season pending additional information on the financial implications and additional liability associated with winter operations.

Coleman reported that there had been no adjustment in rates or fees for overnight camping or rentals within the Water Trails Program since it was established by by-law in 2006 or the addition of the Poker Lakes area in 2008, nor had Council given any direction with respect to policy review. Coleman suggested that policies be reviewed annually.

According to Coleman, people generally feel that they are receiving tremendous value for cost. He suggested that increases should be instituted in such a way as to ensure no huge impact at any given time. Coleman wasn't proposing any new fees, but he did suggest that it would be more than fair to bring the municipality's rates in line with rates charged by Ontario Parks and recommended a 10 percent increase in fees for 2010.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison agreed that the fee structure and policies should be reviewed on a yearly basis, even if there are no increases. Council agreed that Lake of Bays should be contacted for their agreement on the proposed increased fees and a notice of intent will be posted publicly.

Coleman then commented that there were both issues and opportunities associated with extending the operating system to a year round program. He reported that while the municipality only has revenues coming in for half of the year, camping occurs throughout the year. Coleman referred to Council's challenge to continue to strive for cost recovery and said that extending the season would be an opportunity to fill the gap, make the program a bit more profitable and continue to put money in reserves for capital replacement requirements.

According to Coleman he receives dozens of inquiries about winter camping as well as snow shoe and ski rentals each year and they are currently promoting snowshoeing on the hiking trails. He also commented that the Ski Friends have some issues with snowshoers and winter campers on the ski trails. In addition, costs are already incurred to plow out the parking lots at both the Frost Centre and Poker Lakes and the municipality pays for year round land use permits.

Coleman suggested that year round operations would alleviate staff workload during spring start-up and negate the need to relocate the office spring and fall. He also said that the use of both areas is extensive for snowmobiling, ice fishing, skiing and camping throughout the winter at no cost.

Liability was a concern to Council and Coleman said that the liability and responsibility to maintain areas already exists year round. He said, "I don't believe there would be any increased liability by trying to manage winter activities and an extended season would give us an opportunity to designate or restrict campsites for winter camping to areas that are safe to access."

Coleman also noted that at the present time moose hunters pay for camping whereas deer hunters, who use the same facilities several weeks later, don't have to pay.

According to Coleman extending the season would have minimum impact on staff and he would only need to hire a third person for weekends or part time during the week. Coleman also said that he had sought support funding and received a \$55,800 contribution which would go a long way towards trying a year round season for at least a year.

Council were concerned about the need to advise users whether or not ice and snow conditions were safe. Coleman said, "People are camping in the winter anyway and it is their responsibility to consult with all the information available. We can only do so much to educate and direct people."

Councillor Don Shortreed commented that a snow machine would be required to conduct patrols. Coleman, however advised that the Ski Friends had offered the use of their two new snow machines, which are stored near the Frost Centre.

Councillor Carol Moffatt commented that she thought winter camping was a fabulous idea, but voiced serious concerns about ice conditions. She said, "To think you don't have to notify the public is naive. The OPP always put out notices, but every weekend people fall through the ice."

Coleman, however, said that winter camping was land based in order to provide more shelter. He also said that there were a number of campsites where the ice is solid and any questionable sites could be closed off, something which is not presently done. Coleman commented that winter campers are a different group that are usually more prepared for an outdoor experience.

Councillors Don Shortreed and Diane Griffin both voiced concern about the Sherborne Trail access. Shortreed said that the trail was highly used by snowmobilers and he was nervous about encouraging skiers and snowshoers to use it. Griffin commented that if the season was extended the municipality would have to ensure that the public was advised that it was a multi trail system.

Harrison agreed with comments made by CAO Lorne Mitchell that they would have to check on the possibility of increased liability. She added however, that she felt the education portion of the program, combined with Coleman's risk management plan may actually reduce their liability. She said, "The land use permits are already annual and likely our liability is as well."

Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner's primary concern came down to dollars and cents. He acknowledged the arguments that Coleman was making and the fact that summer operations were closer to being break even, but suggested that without a proper handle on things, expanding the season would take them into unknown territory.

Mitchell commented that he saw Coleman's proposal as a benchmark for the program. He said, "All of the employees would have to become full time with benefits and while it is great that we have funding to try it out for a year, we can't get rid of employees if it doesn't work. This is a significant benchmark that will also evolve into the need for snowmobiles in the future." Mitchell agreed however that winter camping should be controlled.

Harrison agreed with Gardner. She said, "I feel that the liability is there now, but I agree that once we do this for a year it will be hard to back up the train." Harrison also mentioned that more detail should be available to determine the impact to the budget, particularly if they were to add full time personnel.

Further discussion ensued about the impact and cost of employees and the cost for various minor building upgrades and Harrison finally called for a decision. She said, "I am supportive. This needs to be tried at some point in time and with grant money in place this seems like a good time to start."

Other members of Council however, were reluctant to agree to the change. Moffat suggested that additional information was required before a decision could be made.

Coleman said, "So my challenge is to sell you the concept and the benefits. We're in the same position we were in when we started the water program." It was agreed that the decision would be deferred pending Coleman providing more information about increased liability and financial impacts."

Stay tuned as this will be discussed again at the end of September. ■

\$2.26 Million Dollar Airport Project Awarded

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**"This is still one project."
(CAO Lorne Mitchell)**

sociation's Research Director Andy Muirhead said that they intend to do everything in their power to ensure that the municipality follows the process properly.

MacInnes said, "Given their indication that they still want to go for the whole works, we're going to make sure that the appropriate process for the environmental assessment is followed as well as the process with all of the applicable agencies."

According to Muirhead, who has investigated the environmental and funding processes extensively, there are several questions around the funding that aren't linked to the environmental assessment. Muirhead suggested that the municipality may have to post the rehabilitation as a separate project and follow all of the required notifications as required by the act.

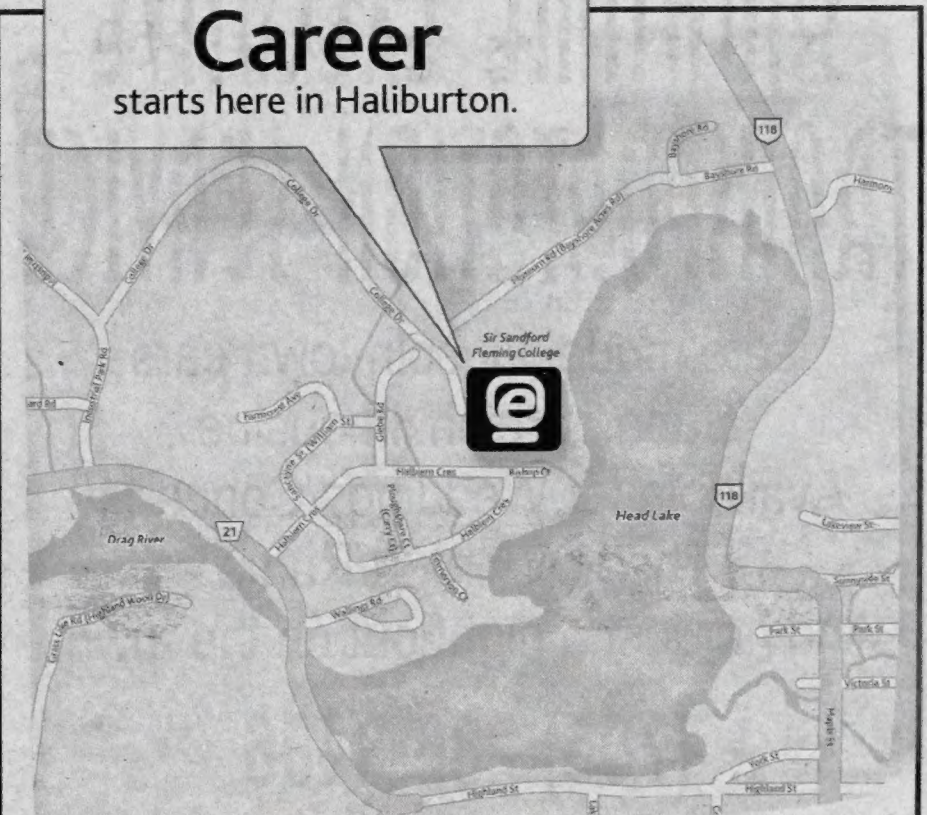
"This is a fundamental change in the project description and initially the funding was conditionally granted based on a 10 page application that clearly states it is not a phased project. The funding was also being granted based on an intake that allowed each municipality a single priority project. So clearly what they're looking at now is two projects and their first priority at this point seems to be the rehabilitation. If they're going to complete that part of the project separately, they can only have one or the other. That's the rules." To Muirhead this is a unilateral retroactive alteration of a process that raises all sorts of flags.

Muirhead also commented that the municipality was 'insane' for not carefully separating the costs of each portion of the project to protect itself. "The crux of our concern is why there is such a rush to build this year? Why is it imperative that the work be done this fall? There is no compelling physical or budgetary reason why it has to be done; the funding agreement requires the work to be completed by the end of 2011, so why not wait until the spring after the required authorizations come through?"

Muirhead suggested that the entire process is being driven by political expedience, with ministries shovelling money out the door while completely ignoring whether the public actually wants the project done or not.

There are still a lot of unanswered questions associated with the project, which the Voice will continue to follow. ■

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"The problem exists now and has been there for years." (Reeve Eleanor Harrison)

Municipal councils are faced time and time again with requests for use of unopened road allowances for a variety of often very creative reasons. Unless the circumstances are extraordinary, the response is usually not what the applicant hopes for.

So is the case with Larry Giles, living on the North Shore Road in Algonquin Highlands, one lot back from the lakefront. Giles asked for permission to 'bushwhack' a trail along the road allowance adjacent to his property down to Maple Lake where he proposed to install a floating dock.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison voiced concern that the municipality's liability would increase if permission was granted. She said, "There are numerous docks, decks and other structures on the municipality's 66 foot road allowances or shore road allowances and this is opening up something that I am not in favour of. What if someone who lives on the other side of North Shore Road wants to do the same thing?"

Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner recalled that the road allowance is actually wide open with a view right down to the lake. Gardner voiced concern about instances where people had installed docks on municipal shore road allowances and then could not get along with others who wanted to use the dock. He said, "If others use it, so be it. Otherwise Council would have to make it so that no one has a dock."

Clerk Angie Bird advised that, in accordance with their official plan, requests of this nature require Council's permission. She too said, "They will have to be made aware that others might use the area and there is nothing stopping others from making similar requests."

Councillor Carol Moffatt said, "I appreciate that it is public land, but I think that as the township grows more people will ask for access and they should have it. If this becomes an issue I'd rather manage it than react to it. I suggest we defer this request and get more information. We need to determine how to enforce this and ensure we don't have a situation that we can't control."

Harrison agreed that there were increasing numbers of this type of request coming forward. She said, "The problem exists now and has been there for years. I can't believe the number of docks and structures on North Shore Road and it's not being managed."

Councillor Diane Griffin said, "This is a very large geographic township and we have a responsibility to protect the shore road allowances for public use." According to Griffin in the past Council had allowed property owners that have a road system between them and the waterfront to put in a dock. She said, "We have taken that away from the public and that concerns me."

Griffin did not agree that Giles should receive approval and said, "People should either purchase their shore road allowance or have lakeshore property if they expect to have a dock. More and more people are becoming aware of these road allowances and how to use them."

Council generally agreed that there was no way to stop the public from using the road allowances or the owner of the docks from thinking they have sole rights to the dock and the area. They also shared a concern over the existing number of docks and structures on the road allowances and shore road allowances.

Harrison asked if Council required additional information and overall there was agreement that they didn't. Gardner said, "(Giles) can continue to use the path to the water without any bushwhacking."

Hospital Foundation Radiothon: \$40,000



From Left: Foundation Co-Chair Don Popple; Health Services President Paul Rosebush; Board Chair Marg Risk, and Foundation Executive Director Dale Walker.

Last month's 'Haliburton Highlands Health Radiothon', a joint effort by the Moose FM and Canoe FM, had a fund-raising goal of some \$30,000. The two-day event saw personnel from both stations collect on-air donations and bids on a number of auction items. Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) Executive Director Dale Walker was delighted when the Radiothon exceeded its goal by over 25 percent, and raised in total \$20,000 more than was raised at last year's event.

"I think that both stations realized that it's for the hospitals and health care, so why not come together?" said Walker.

And last week HHHSF Co-Chair Don Popple and Walker were delighted to write a cheque for \$40,000 to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS). Equally delighted to receive the cheque were the HHHS President and CEO Paul Rosebush and Board Chair Marg Risk.

The \$40,000 will go towards the cost of the 70 ceiling lifts that were recently purchased by the HHHS. The total cost of the purchase was \$361,000; with this latest donation the balance has been reduced to \$240,000.

Kennisis Lake AGM

Safety, Shoreline Protection, and Water Levels top the Agenda

Stephen Patrick
Editor

The Kennisis Lake Cottage Owner's Association (KLCOA) held its Annual General Meeting last weekend at the Haliburton Forest Reserve, with some 100 members and directors in attendance, out of a total membership of almost 500. The KLCOA is one of the county's oldest and most successful cottagers' associations, and was one of the first in the province to develop and adopt a comprehensive Lake Plan for effective management and preservation of the natural and social environment.

Or, as the Federation of Cottage Associations of Ontario (FOCA) puts it, a Lake Plan is "an action-oriented plan developed by the community to reflect and preserve the special character of the lake. The end results derived from implementing the lake plan's recommendations is the protection of your lake's special areas and features through land use regulation and stewardship approaches, and the assurance that they are protected for your children and the next generations to come. It sets a strong vision and direction for the future of your lake, identifying how you would like to see your lake 20 years from now and what you need to do to achieve that vision, and sets goals and objectives to clearly define the targets to be used as your measures of success."

And it was clear from a report to the AGM by Jim Prince, the Kennisis Lake Plan Chair, that this is in fact a living document that will continue to evolve and adapt as the years move on. Prince highlighted the successful Owners/Renters Guide that has been produced, and pointed to the Lakeland Alliance's Shoreline Project as just a few of the last year's accomplishments. He also had high praise for the consultation process implemented by the County of Haliburton and the Municipality of Dysart et al with regard to the development of their new Official Plans. KLCOA Director Chris Riddle pointed out that it seemed as if both government tiers were strongly supportive of amending existing by-laws to include rules related to tree cutting and the resulting impact on shorelines. Dysart Councilor (and Kennisis Cottage Owner) Janis Parker is also strongly committed to making environmental protection a keystone of the new Official Plans. Councilor Parker reminded the KLCOA membership that ATV access to public roads is currently up for review in Dysart, and that there was still time to have an impact on that debate. But the bottom line, in Prince's view, was that the Kennisis Lake Plan and what appeared to be the direction of the Dysart Official Plan "were now aligned, and that's simple great news."

Chris Riddle brought the meeting up to date on the status of the recommendations put forward in the "It's All About the Water" report by the Panel on the Future of the Trent Severn Waterway. The Coalition for Equitable Water Flow (CEWF), of which Riddle is now a co-chair, and which is in regular communication with the Trent Severn officials, is "extremely disappointed, to say the least, that there has been no significant government action over the last 18 months to address the concerns of the report. Frankly, the system is broken: right now, after this rainy summer, the Trent Severn needs no water, but still the water in our lakes is being drawn down at a rapid rate. At this point all we can do is to continue to urge the federal government to get on with it, to acknowledge the Panel's report, and get something done."

Riddle also pointed out that Haliburton County officials has been very supportive of the CEWF's efforts in urging the feds to get moving, and also that there had been some stimulus funds committed to repairing some of the dams, automating the maintenance of water levels, replacing logs, etc.. But overall, that was about all the good news there was to report.

Director John Cunerty, in charge of the Community Security Committee, reported that there was little major criminal activity to report over the past year, but then went on to address some boating and community safety and noise issues that in his opinion were so serious that he was even considering selling his cottage if the issues weren't addressed. "There are so many violations taking place with regards to water safety that in my opinion, which is supported by the OPP's Constable Mark McMaster, it's simply a matter of time before someone is seriously injured or even killed. There is water skiing with no spotters on the boats: I saw one water ski boat that almost ran down a swimmer: no spotter on the boat, and when suddenly the driver saw the swimmer, he gave her the finger!

"There are racing boats doing over 100 kilometers an hour, wakeboard boats with incredibly loud sound systems, sea doos racing at 3 AM with no lights, parties with outdoor sound systems that go on all night, and so on. And the problem is that the OPP really can't do a lot about it. Their resources are severely stretched."

Cunerty then reported on a conversation he had with Constable McMaster about the possibility of adapting the successful Snowmobile Trail Officer Patrol (STOP) system that was developed some 15 years ago to help the OPP deal with alcohol and behaviour problems on the province's snowmobile trail system. Apparently there is a program that's been developed in Muskoka already that Cunerty is going to look into. In response to the report, a motion was made and adopted that Cunerty look into what co-operative arrangements might be made with the OPP and the KLCOA to address the safety and behaviour issues. Cunerty will report back at the association's spring meeting.

Finally, a slate of directors was presented for the association's approval, and long-time President Duncan MacCallum announced that he is definitely stepping down, but will continue as Past President. In due course the Board will choose his replacement. ■

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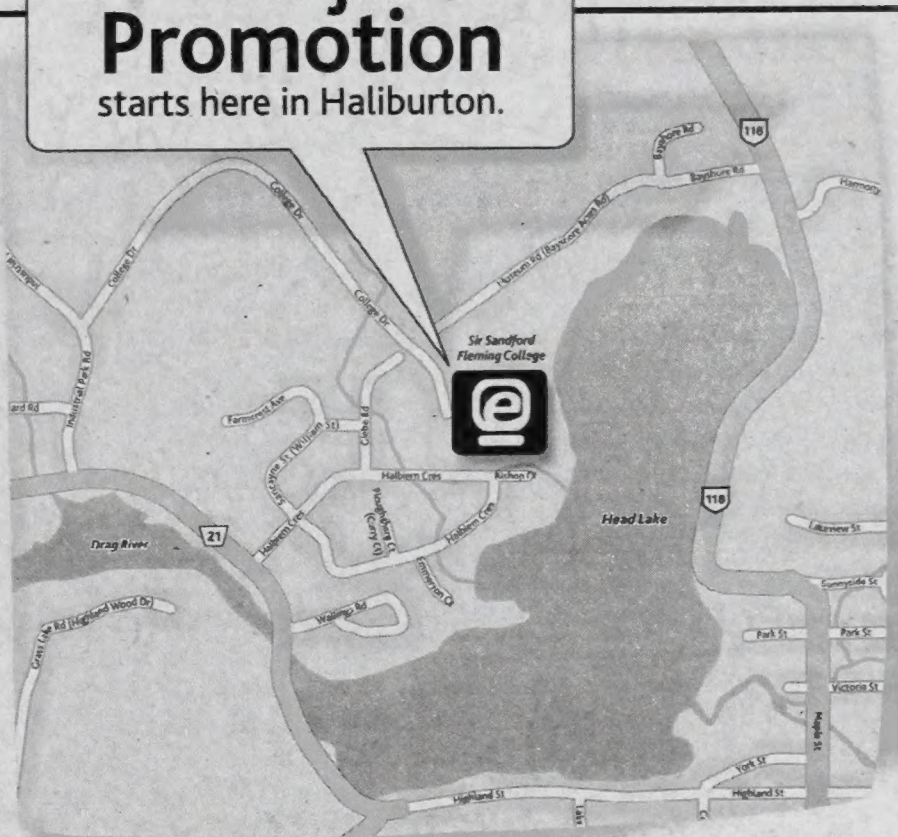
Missing from picture: Liz Austin, Shelley Beach, Tricia Bormanis, Lea Harper, Sue Hill, Holly Mastine & Lynne Tate.

The Kennisis Reading Club recently presented a cheque for \$1000 to the Dysart et al Library Fundraising Committee for the new Dysart et al library, a branch of the Haliburton County Public Library system. The members of the Kennisis Reading Club sold books and baked good on the Friday of the long weekend in August. The money will be used for furniture for the new library, situated in Head Lake Park.

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Review: Zoe Chilco at Senitt's



John Deehan, Zoe Chilco, Norm Amadio and Jack McFadden

by George Farrell

It's been said many times, but it's worth repeating. We have a wealth of musical talent in this county. So much so, that on occasion, national and internationally recognized talent comes to play with our musicians.

That happened in late August 22 this summer when pianist Norm Amadio and bass player Jack McFadden accompanied Zoe Chilco at the Senitt's in Camarvon. OK, so maybe it can be argued that Chilco is not a permanent resident, but she lives here

half the year and started her singing career with Gord Kidd, so in my books she's a Highlander. But back to Amadio and McFadden for a minute.

Canada has produced internationally recognized pianists like Jazz greats Oscar Peterson, and Oliver Jones, and classical man Glen Gould. I would have no trouble putting Amadio close to them in terms of virtuosity. Yes, he's that good. As far as bass players go, McFadden is in the same league, and as a duo they're practically unparalleled. They compliment one another like peanut butter and jam, and anyone privileged enough to have them

as band members can't wipe the smile of their face. So yes, the audience of approximately 70 people was in for a fine musical evening, if they didn't already know it before they got there.

The setting was somewhat unique, and Zoe manages to find different local venues to perform in. She's sung in the Northern Lights Pavilion, The Hair Lounge, Wintergreen Maple Syrup Shack, the Camarvon Bowl and Stouffer Mill, just to name a few. Her latest gig saw her and the group perform at the home of Bailey Renshaw, 1094 Senitt Hill Drive. The location is also the home to those crazy Senitt Dolls and Puppets. The original part of the building, which dates back to 1863 was the first post office for Camarvon. It has been extended since, once in the 1890 and again in the 1990's. So the setting that greeted the curious audience was a house resplendent in part, with huge old beams, and wide plank flooring. For those knowledgeable with the Senitt dolls it was exactly the type of place you might imagine some of them living, and in fact here and there, stuck in corners and on shelves, were a few of the almost-lifelike character dolls, peering down at all the newcomers.

Canapes and drinks contributed to the party-like atmosphere, and there were many local performers and music aficionados to be seen looking the joint over, and talking casually prior to the performance. Then it was time for the music. This time Chilco, Amadio and McFadden were ably accompanied by sax-man John Deehan; and what an added treat he was.

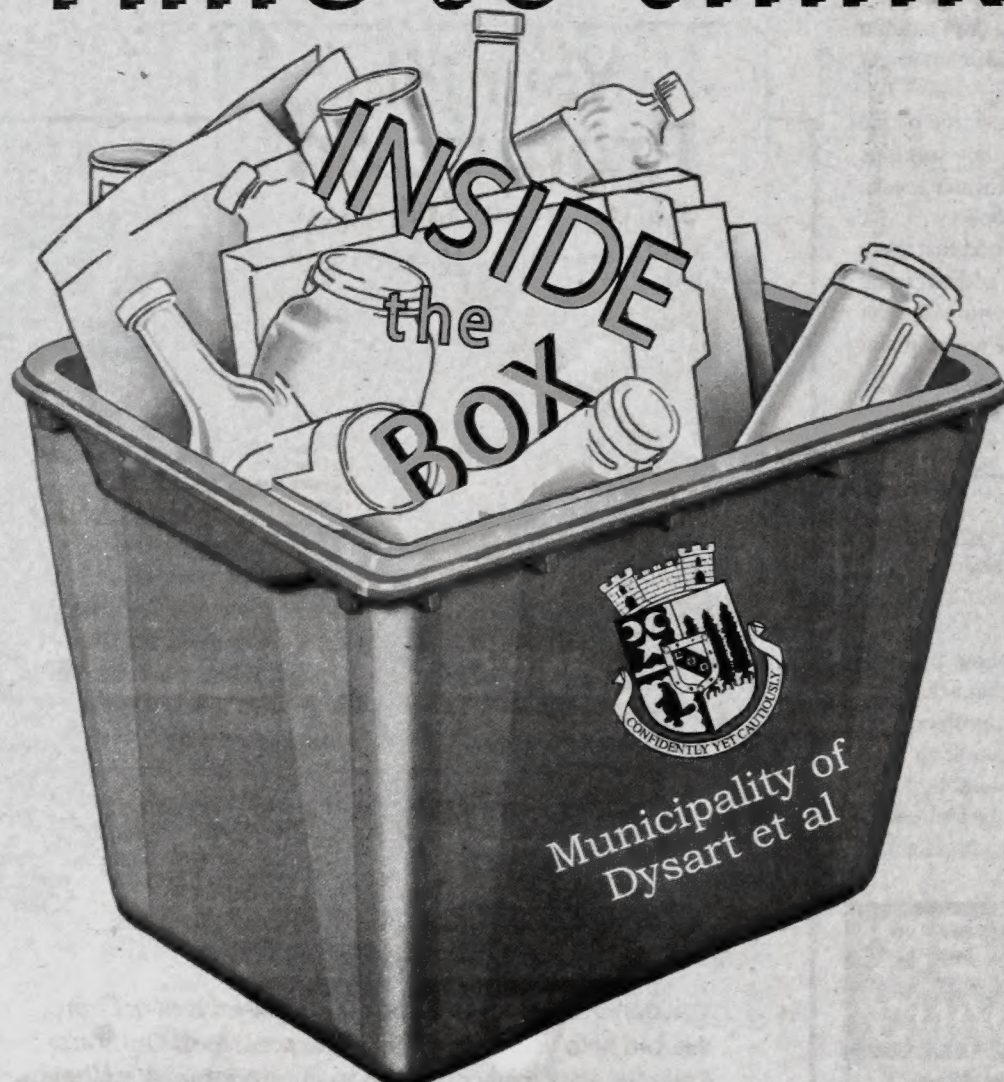
The trio, sans Chilco, opened up with an instrumental that gave us a taste of what was to come. Amadio tinkled the ivories with effortless grace and musicianship, accompanied at every turn by the artful McFadden who's so used to Amadio's nuances. Deehan joined in stylishly with breathy shadings on sax. Chilco then emerged in a little black dress. She's evolved into a silky-smooth songstress of pop and jazz standards from the 1930's, 40's and 50's. And she didn't disappoint, with such fare as 'Witchcraft,' 'Don't Get Around Much Anymore,' 'Them There Eyes' and 'Don't Explain.' 'Don't Explain' featured Chilco's sexy lower register, and it was so good to hear a singer who doesn't need vocal gymnastics and histrionics to set the mood and get across the true intention of the songs. What we got was a tuneful, versatile voice, and a woman who knows how to interpret the music. It was a nicely paced first set with additional songs like 'It's Almost Like Being in Love' offset effectively by 'Black Coffee,' a sultry number that almost called for a smoke-filled room.

The band doesn't have the time to rehearse a lot, not that they need to, but Chilco often introduces new material and some pieces of her own, at which time she converses with Amadio specifically, between songs, to quickly brief him on what's required for the next number. Now usually, this not-uncommon, mid-performance tet a tet, which all bands do on occasion, is tedious. Not so at the Senitt's, as the droll Deehan, who's played for such notables as Harry James and Les Elgart, picked up the slack with witty repartee, and some groan-inducing jokes. The first set came to a close with the realization that drums were not missed at all, and in fact might have seemed out of place, given the environment. Of course with McFadden you've got all the rhythm you need.

The second set was a bit more bluesy, and featured some of Chico's own songs. If you're not familiar with her writing, pick up one of her cd's. You'll be amazed at the quality of her material. All the lady needs to hit the financial jackpot is for a 'name' to pick up one of her songs. Eventually it's bound to happen, they're that good. 'Mister Alone' and 'True Blue,' songs she sang from her latest CD-in-the-making, stood up well to all the standards. That old chestnut 'My Funny Valentine,' featured McFadden doing a little bowing on the bass- not that anyone could see him. And therein lies one of the only negatives on the evening. Due to the odd configuration of the establishment Chilco and Deehan were performing in the entranceway that led from one room into the next, and McFadden and Amadio behind them, were actually playing in a different room than the audience. I managed a seat right up front, but at any one time I was lucky to see three performers. Most of the people certainly couldn't see either McFadden or Amadio, as they were blocked by Chilco and Deehan. A better configuration might have been to have Amadio up front with Chilco, as he was seated at the keyboards, and have the other two, who were standing, play behind. But in all probability no arrangement would have worked perfectly. An occasional look back at the audience behind me however revealed that a great many of them had their eyes closed and were bopping along to the sensational sounds. Added to not being able to see very well, was the acute discomfort bought on by the hardest wooden seats this amply-padded derriere has had the misfortune to be spread upon.

Those things aside, the intimate evening was a great success, and we can only hope that Zoe Chilco keeps finding interesting venues within which to perform, and that she keeps inviting incredible musicians to accompany her. ■

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Back to School! (Or, Better Late Than Never)

Stephen Patrick
Editor



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Children in their hundreds returned to schools across Haliburton County Tuesday, September 8th (the latest date possible) to be greeted by enthusiastic classmates, teachers, educational assistants, and custodians. "Even after 22 years of teaching, I'm so excited I can hardly sleep the night before," said Stuart Baker Elementary School (SBES) Principal France Meunier. "It's a wonderful day, a day of new beginnings, and almost everyone seems to have a smile on their face. Even with the older boys, who sometimes find it hard to admit they like school, they're so happy to see their friends and classmates again."

J.Douglas Hodgson (JDH) Principal Traci Hubbert was front and centre as well greeting the students as they got off their buses and made their way to their respective schools. Both SBES and JDH students disembark at the same location: the procedure is highly organized and very effective, with SBES teachers and assistants waiting to shepherd the very small students across the field to their school. But Ms. Hubbert warned that there are continuing logistical problems with parents dropping off their children in the small parking and turn-around area in front of JDH that will have to be addressed before winter sets in (and when more and more parents drive their kids to school). "But that's not for today," said Ms. Hubbert. "Today's a day of excitement, renewed friendships, and enthusiastic kids ready for a brand-new year."

JDH has a slightly lower enrolment this year, while SBES is up slightly to 316, from 306, including 104 in the various French Immersion classes. All Haliburton schools are being very proactive when it comes to H1N1 protocols, although school officials stress that they hope to see common sense prevail. "If a child has a fever, for example, they will be sent home immediately, but we're not going to start to send kids home if they have a simple case of the sniffles. But we expect too that parents will be careful and considerate – and have their children checked by their doctor if they have any flu symptoms."

The school yard at Archie Stouffer Elementary School (ASES) in Minden was also bustling with students renewing friendships, chatting with staff and making use of the playground equipment. Parents accompanied some of the younger students and used the time before classes to interact with teachers and reassure their youngsters that all would be well. Teachers and educational assistants walked the kids to classes to begin the first day of the 2009-2010 school year, a day that is bound to be filled with summer stories and winter plans. ■

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Males Charged with Fraud

(Haliburton, ON.) – Members of the City of Kawartha Lakes/Haliburton Highlands Crime Unit have charged two males in relation to a fraud complaint that was reported in mid July 2009.

Assisting in the investigation were members of the Central Region M.I.S.T. (Major Incident Support Team), the O.P.P. Asset Forfeiture Unit, the O.P.P. Identity Theft Unit and officers from the Durham Regional Police Service Fraud Squad.

The investigation commenced after suspects had fraudulently purchased an expensive vessel in the Township of Minden Hills. The investigation continued and expanded into other areas of the province.

Zbigniew Knapik 48 years of Mississauga and Marek Lorenc 53 years of Mississauga have been charged with numerous counts of fraud related offences.

Both parties are being held in custody pending a bail hearing tomorrow in Lindsay Ontario and officers have seized over \$300,000.00 worth of property. □

"The Highlands East Fire Department is in dire need of an immediate overhaul." (Peter Corfield)

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not attend.

Several of these recommendations proved to be medicine that was far too strong for Mackie and Stoughton's taste. At the council meeting in July, Mackie called the report 'garbage' and 'a farce.' Among other things, he said that Corfield was 'out of touch with rural fire departments' and that the report should be peer reviewed. He also suggested that the report seemed to have a political agenda, given the recommendations that included a new municipal office. Stoughton piped up and agreed, saying, "The guy who wrote this report is a joke."

These comments were reported in the Haliburton Echo and Corfield got wind of the fact that, in his absence, his work and reputation were being put to the test. He asked to attend the meeting this week to offer some responses of his own.

Corfield prefaced his remarks by providing a review of his (substantial) training and experience as well as that of his associate. Corfield was involved in fire services for 39 years and served in capacities ranging from fire fighter to Fire Chief. He also served on a number of boards and since retiring from the service has managed his own successful consulting firm advising municipalities across Ontario. Corfield said, "I've always been treated with respect by my clients; that is until now."

Corfield then said, "The Highlands East Fire Department is undoubtedly in the worst condition that I have personally witnessed and is in dire need of an immediate overhaul if it is to serve the residents of this municipality in accordance with accepted industry standards, which it cannot meet now."

Corfield advised Council that he has family friends living in the area and spoke of his disbelief when he heard that one of the Council members was allegedly 'looking to dig up some dirt on him.' He voiced his extreme shock and disappointment on hearing the sort of comments being made.

Corfield referred to the fact that there were no questions or comments made at the time that his report was presented to Council and said it was his impression that Council was satisfied with the report and its recommendations. However, he said he quickly learned of the

July meeting's outcome and wondered what he had done to invite such wrath.

"The voracity and venom directed at me was unbelievable," he said, referring to the article that detailed the comments made by Mackie and Stoughton.

Corfield then reviewed the process followed during his initial visits to the community and the work done in preparation of the report. He also offered his appreciation to Fire Chief Bill Wingrove for his hard work and dedication as well as the frank assistance and comments provided by the fire fighters themselves.

Corfield then began to address the specific comments that had been made about the document which Mackie had said was of little value. He advised Council that he had actually been most anxious to attend the July meeting to address any concerns Council had and particularly to address Mackie and the rumoured allegations made against him.

"With the subsequent unfolding of events, it was clear that there had been a concerted effort to keep me from attending the meeting, something which was likely orchestrated by Mackie and Stoughton." He suggested that their intent had likely been to have an open forum in which to make questionable and erroneous statements about the report and numerous unsavoury and uncalled for comments about him.

In July Mackie had also questioned the recommendations that Corfield made for cost saving measures. To this Corfield said that their comments about cost savings suggested that their own opinions were very questionable.

In response to the recommendation for a peer review and the fact that the report was 'garbage' Corfield said, "Everyone has a right to their own opinion. However, Mr. Mackie seems to be a self proclaimed expert on all matters that come before him." He then said that he would welcome a peer review, adding that while there may be some differences of opinion, he would be very surprised to find there were any major differences.

Corfield proceeded to succinctly address each of the comments reportedly made by Mackie and Stoughton.

While the discussion went on for over an hour with raised voices, strongly stated opinions and the need for Burton to call for order, when it came down to the crunch, the major differences revolved around the recommendation for mandatory retirement of fire fighters at the age of 60 and the recommendation for closure of the firehall in Cardiff.

The point of mandatory retirement was something that both Mackie and Stoughton felt very strongly about and it was obvious that their sentiments were based on faith and loyalty to their fellow fire fighters and their feeling that all of the Highlands East members brought great value to the department.

Corfield, while acknowledging the difficulty of a retirement policy, advised Council that to consider any retirement age other than 60 raised a

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Katherine Wheatley at the Wintergreen Pancake Barn

by Adam Long

"This is what I can do, and this is the way I can express what it is I need to express as an artist."



Folk music singer-songwriter, Katherine Wheatley performed at the Wintergreen Maple Syrup and Pancake Barn in Minden on Sunday night, kicking off the Haliburton Rocks! weekend. The sold-out concert—the fourth in a row for the Haliburton County Folk Society—opened with cellist Bethany Houghton and guitarist Ernie Demuth. The talented duo took the stage beneath the mounted deer heads and low hanging beams of the pancake barn's upper floor, and the couple churned out their own unique Canadian sound to a packed audience of 50.

Partly Celtic, largely folk, and entirely bush-born Haliburton, the emotionally charged sounds of Houghton's home made cello and violin set the mood for an entertaining evening of live music.

The venue — roadside barn, nestled in among the trees and rocks of Minden, which offers pancakes and maple syrup during the day — was not entirely out of the ordinary for Wheatley. On Saturday night, she was in Burk's Falls where she performed at a local movie theatre.

"As a geologist, I lived in tents for four or five months at a time," Wheatley said, standing in front of a wall lined with maple syrup bottles. Wheatley received a degree in Geology at Queen's University, and worked as a researcher for a number of years. The geological research campsites that were once transient homes for the artist allowed Wheatley to perform for small audiences on a regular basis.

"So I played around campfires at night. I think that's how I got most of my jobs—because I could sing and play guitar," Wheatley said.

Although it's been nearly two decades since Wheatley has played around the campfires of her old research sites, the artist took part in the Yours Outdoors learning excursion this weekend, as a geologist in residence. Led by Minden based geologist John Etches, Katherine Wheatley and Yours Outdoors participants set out to explore some of the county's undisturbed mineral deposits and the unique geological features of the beautiful Haliburton landscape. Wheatley offered her expertise to the excursionists on mineral and rock formations. The three day event continued into Monday night, when Katherine Wheatley, once again, provided her acoustic entertainment by campfire.

Having grown up in Parry Sound, Katherine Wheatley found it easy to profess her love for Haliburton County and its surrounding areas. "Minden, Gravenhurst, Muskoka, Mactier, Parry Sound," Wheatley said, "I always thought we were kin with these people, and I guess people probably felt the same here." Wheatley illustrated the importance and the comfort of the close-knit communities that still exist in and between these small towns. Reminiscing on her childhood in Parry Sound, Wheatley said, "The only time my family would ever go to Huntsville was to get Kentucky Fried Chicken."

It was around that same time when Wheatley discovered her deeply rooted passion for folk music. "I got into folk music when I was very young. I loved The Beatles and The Rolling Stones. I loved Neil Young and Joni Mitchell, too," she said. "But I couldn't reproduce The Beatles." Instead Wheatley focused on the kind of music that came natural to her. "This is what I can do, and this is the way I can express what it is I need to express as an artist," she said.

As the sky darkened, headlights turned in off of the road and more people piled into the barn. That close-knit community Wheatley discussed became more apparent. When I arrived, I overheard a woman ask Wheatley for an autograph. "We went to school together when we were kids," she said to Wheatley. "I have your CD and I listen to your music all the time." I waited close by and bought a jar of maple syrup.

As more people arrived, the feeling in the barn was more like visiting a friend's house than attending a concert—it's a feeling that you won't find in most communities south of Haliburton.

When Wheatley took the stage, the concert was void of any usual formalities. Wheatley casually talked with the audience between songs, and by the end of the night everyone beneath the wooden roof of the Wintergreen Maple Syrup and Pancake Barn was singing along. The words didn't have to be the right words. Some people hummed along. One man even accompanied Wheatley with a trumpet solo that he performed with just his lips.

"Besides people, there are two things that are first and foremost to me: cross-country skiing and music."

As I left the barn, the music continued into the night. It's rare to find the kind of closeness between people who belong to a small community. It's a closeness that still exists in Haliburton, and Wheatley noticed it as a kid. It's because of that same closeness that she returns, and the perfect way to see it yourself is through live music by local artists.

Wheatley's next album, entitled Landed, will be released later this month in Toronto, and she will be returning to Haliburton County from March 5th to the 8th for the second annual Winter Folk Camp. Sunday night's concert was sponsored by the Haliburton County Folk Society and Yours Outdoors. ■

Partridge Acknowledged That Some of the Recommendations Were Difficult

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number of human rights issues.

The recommendation to close the firehall in Cardiff and move the hall to the Highway 28 station was not well received at all. Mackie's primary concern was the additional response time that would be involved by making this move which would almost double. The move in Mackie's words would be 'ludicrous.'

Corfield said a number of times that he had made recommendations only as a roadmap of ideas which did not have to be acted upon by Council if they did not wish to do so. He said that this particular recommendation had been made for the betterment of the operation overall and would be impetus to get the wheels moving on a new station quickly.

Strangely enough, by the time the lengthy discussion was over, there were few disagreements on the points being made, and Stoughton actually commented after Corfield departed that the session had cleared the air considerably. Councillor Suzanne Partridge suggested placing the report on a subsequent agenda for further discussion. She said, "I feel there are some recommendations that we could implement right away."

Partridge also acknowledged that some of the recommendations were difficult, but she said, "Sometimes you just have to take the bull by the horns."

That it was a difficult meeting for almost everyone in attendance, there is no question. That some of the recommendations will be discussed again in a heated manner, there is no doubt. ■

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for potential 'violators' other public law enforcement personnel could and might enforce the by-law if it remained as written.

Farrant referred to the rapidly approaching fall hunting season and asked Council to consider revisiting the by-law and considering changes immediately. He also offered his expertise to assist Council in addressing OFAH concerns.

Ogrady said that the by-law which had been passed last month had been taken completely out of context. He said, "It was not our intent and we cannot have target shooting that close to a facility."

Councillor Carol Moffatt inquired about the zoning of gravel pits. Clerk Angie Bird confirmed that private gravel pits are considered a legal non-conforming zone under the Aggregate Resources Act and therefore zoned rural and able to be used for target shooting. She added that a few pits are zoned industrial which would prohibit shooting.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison commented that the original by-law had been complaint driven. Ogrady confirmed that this was first time he had received a complaint about target shooting and only the second complaint he had received in five years which could raise the need for the amendment in the first place. He also assured Council that he is a hunter himself and had no desire to create problems for hunters. Ogrady said, "It was simply a good opportunity to tweak the by-law."

In response to Harrison asking if anything was to be gained by inviting Farrant to address Council, Ogrady confirmed that he had spent enough time on the by-law to determine he had gone as far as he needed to go at this time.

The new by-law (No. 09-31) was passed unanimously with all of the requested amendments. ■

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Moments later the car burst into flames. The Haliburton Fire Department responded immediately and managed to put the fire out before any adjoining vehicles or buildings were affected.

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Friday's French Flair

Chefs from the Domain of Killien create French dishes with fresh, Haliburton produce.

By Zoe Cittern

People were out in abundance at Friday's, September 4th Haliburton Farmer's Market, poring over the tasty treats on offer. Homemade jams, cakes, pies, breads, syrups, coffee, vegetables, and even dog treats, were all available to purchase. These homemade delicacies weren't the only delights that were tempting people to the market. Two chefs, Eric Genin and Karen Saunders from the Domain of Killien, were there to showcase their skills to the crowd and highlight the importance of using good local produce. Both recipes they made at the event, a salad and a tart, were created using Haliburton produce which Karen believes is very important to buy when going grocery shopping.

"Education is key when discussing local produce" she explained, "then we know what we're consuming and in turn become healthier." Buying local produce doesn't just mean that it's healthier for you either: "It's cheaper than pre-processed, packaged foods, we're supporting local farmers and giving a boost to the community that we all want to prosper. It's very important to both Eric and I but also to the Domain of Killien to support the local economy" says Karen. The Domain endeavours to use local ingredients whenever it can, and the best of Canadian game and fowl, which is delivered to the restaurant from the Northwest Territories and Quebec.

The chef demonstration ended with a tasting session of the two recipes they whipped up: a green bean and tomato salad, which they serve at the Domain, and a lemon sabayon tart, inspired by Eric's French background. The salad seemed to go down well, with Karen making more for the hungry crowd. Next to the cooking demonstration was a bake sale, raising funds for SIRCH Community Services and Consulting. The sabayon tart was sold for \$20 dollars and part of the proceeds will go towards helping vulnerable families and those living on extremely tight budgets. Nancy Brownsberger from SIRCH was there to raise awareness for the charity and also to encourage the idea of buying local produce to strengthen the community: "It's healthier, it promotes and supports the local economy and the idea of the 100 mile diet is very important."

The Farmers Market has been running since July 3rd with queues building steadily to grab the goodies behind the stalls. Angela McGreevey, the market manager, says she "was surprised by the success and how well it's done," especially with it being the first year and says that "there has been a lot of support for it".

If you're interested in buying more local produce, staying healthy and supporting the local economy then head to the next farmers market, at 3 pm Friday September 11th at the Roberts Marina Parking lot, as it will be the last one of the season. ■



Green Bean and Tomato Salad

Salad:

1 Pint Baby Tomatoes
340g/12 oz. Green Beans
Basil Vinaigrette:

1 cup fresh basil leaves

½ cup oil

3tsp white wine vinegar

1 tbsp liquid honey

Salt and pepper to taste

Balsamic Vinegar Reduction:

1 cup balsamic vinegar

¾ cup sugar

Cheese Tuille

Shred 1 cup of parmesan cheese. Place in small circles on a baking sheet with parchment paper. Bake at 400 for 12-14 minutes or until golden. Working quickly roll the cheese into cylinders and leave to cool.

Procedure:

Simmer the balsamic vinegar and sugar for 20 minutes or until the mixture is of a light syrup consistency. It will thicken as it cools.

Blend all ingredients for the basil vinaigrette.

Blanch the green beans in simmering water for 5-7 minutes.

Cool the beans and cut into small pieces and place in a bowl.

Quarter the tomatoes and place in a separate bowl.

Toss the beans with a small amount of basil vinaigrette (or your favourite dressing) just enough to coat. Toss the tomatoes with the balsamic reduction (or your favourite dressing), just enough to coat.

Cover the bottom half of a ring mould with the bean mixture and top half of the ring mould with the tomato mixture. Set in a refrigerator to chill. Place a paper towel around the ring mould to absorb any of the liquid that will leak while resting.

At serving time, remove the paper towel and the ring mould. Place the cheese tuille on the top or side of your salad. Add extra basil vinaigrette and balsamic reduction for garnish if desired.

Lemon Sabayon Tart

Ingredients:

2 large eggs, cold

2 large egg yolks, cold

¾ cup fresh sugar

½ cup fresh lemon juice

6 tbsp cold unsalted butter, cut into 6 pieces

1 sheet of puff pastry or pie shell

Procedure:

For the crust:

If using a prepared pie shell, let thaw to room temperature. Prick sides and bottom with fork. Bake as directed on package or for approximately 14 minutes at 450 until golden. ■



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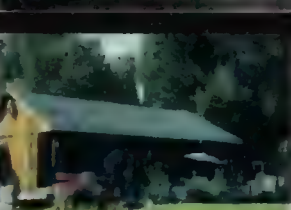


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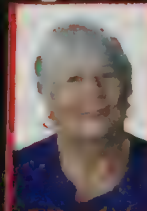
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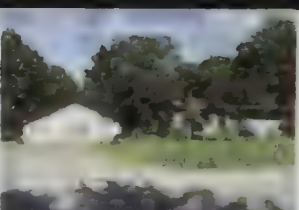


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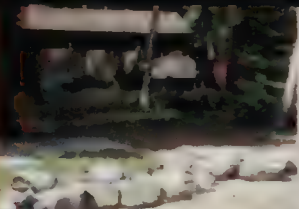


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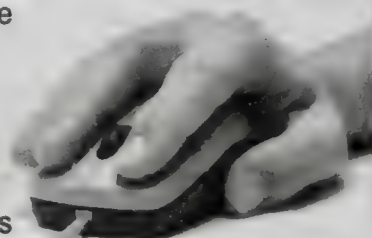
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West Guilford's Larry Hewitt, owner of Little Hawk Construction, recently pleaded guilty to charges that he couldn't really afford to fight. Hewitt admitted he undertook unauthorized trail work in the Clear Lake Conservation Reserve along the south shore of Red Pine Lake.

In the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) press release Hewitt was said to have made major improvements and alterations, sometimes using heavy equipment, at nine sites along almost three kilometres of an old logging trail close to his hunt camp. Hewitt maintains that the work was part of regular maintenance done over the years to keep the trail passable and in good condition for the use and enjoyment of hunters and hikers.

No one can question the fact that, overall, MNR conservation officers have the best intentions and work hard to oversee provincial regulations. However, anyone taking a close look at Hewitt's case would have to ask themselves if the deck wasn't stacked just a bit against him, or even if someone had an axe to grind for some unknown reason.

According to Hewitt and a number of other men who have hunted in the area for years, the forest around Clear Lake was first logged in the 1880's and most of the pines removed. Subsequent logging from Red Pine Lake to Blackcat Lake took place in the 1940's and in the 1950's Bailey's of Haliburton cut out the hemlock and sleighed it over to Kennis Lake to be trucked to the sawmill in Haliburton.

Hewitt said, "That was the area where my dad had his hunting camp. He and Frank Chambers, whose camp was built in 1938, along with others all had hunt camps and hunted together there. The trail in question was the main access road for the loggers years ago and has been maintained as a hunting trail ever since."

Unfortunately, Hewitt said that the trail system established years ago by the loggers was never acknowledged by the MNR, even during the public process that took place when the Clear Lake Reserve was being established. "For some reason they only acknowledged minor disturbances made in the 1880's, but not the actual logging roads that were subsequently built there."

Hewitt also said that during the public consultation process residents expressed their desire to protect existing uses like



snowmobiling, hiking, ATVing and cross country skiing on existing trails; something that the government readily accepted. He said, "We had maintained those trails since the 1950's so those uses were grandfathered."

According to Hewitt (and confirmed by MNR documentation) minor maintenance, grooming, brushing and surface repairs such as filling in ruts and evening out the trail surface were generally considered part of regular maintenance. Machinery is also allowed to be used on existing trails to level out rough sections.

Hewitt, who for the last six years has taken hiking groups with as many as 96 people along the trail during the Trails and Tours Hike Haliburton Festival and has guided hikes for MNR during their summer Stewardship Program, said that after the road to the west shore was built, the end of the logging road was opened to an influx of four wheelers. "The bikes created ruts in low lying spots and they would play in wet areas making a real mess. It took part of the enjoyment of the hiking experience away in what had been a beautiful and pristine area."

"I took a small track excavator that weighs less per square inch than I would make walking on the trail and walked it down the trail to level off a few areas. I did take out one seven inch tree and there was a huge hemlock that had busted off over the trail which I moved aside, so I admitted from the get go that I had harmed vegetation, but they still charged me for constructing 230 metres of new trail even though it was obviously an old logging trail."

In their disclosure, the Ministry reported that Hewitt had carved a trench between one and two metres deep. A firsthand look made it apparent that no more than a 12 inch cut had been made in an existing small gully in an attempt to drain a boggy area that was hard to traverse.

"Their policy states that on an existing trail I can go in with a machine and fix rutting and level the ground without a permit, but if I make a ditch it's not considered minor maintenance and requires a permit." Hewitt maintains to this day that the trail is in better condition now and won't wash out.

Hewitt said that where the logging road crossed a small marsh, ATVs had torn the area up creating tracks and ruts everywhere. "I pulled the sides of the trail up to the centre and levelled out the rutting. Now it's dry and looks natural, but MNR say I created a new trail 150 feet long."

The irony of the situation is that while MNR don't do anything to prevent the bikes from making a mess, they are

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more than willing to charge men like Hewitt for trying to ensure the land is preserved in close to its natural state. While on one hand the government levies considerable fines for trail work of this nature, on the other hand they recently handed out almost \$200,000 to improve and extend other similar trails in the area.

When asked why he pled guilty Hewitt said that he had met with his lawyer and the prosecutor prior to his plea. He learned that it would cost him between 20 and 25 thousand dollars to prove he was innocent with respect to the trail repairs, but recognized that he would still be guilty of cutting down one tree.

"The Ministry filed so many charges against me that in order to prove my innocence I had to fight each argument individually and they made lots of them."

When negotiating his fines, Hewitt said MNR officials finally advised him that they would accept nothing less than a \$5,000 fine (\$2,500 of which went to the Haliburton Fish Hatchery where Hewitt has been actively involved). Given the options open to him, two days later he went to court in Minden and pleaded guilty to the charges of constructing new trails only to find out soon afterwards that the MNR had fined a Newcastle man a trifling \$500 for constructing a new ATV trail for his private use without benefit of a permit.

Hewitt said that representatives from Ontario Parks insisted that the work had been done for Hewitt's own benefit. "They told me that as my camp was water access only, I should have had no expectations of having a bike trail to my camp and they subsequently closed the trail to all motorized vehicles."

Hewitt said, "I talked to MNR before I was charged to explain what I had done and they agreed that I hadn't really done anything wrong or malicious and common sense would prevail." Hewitt said that he also called to see if he should do anything proactive rather than waiting to be charged, but he was told as the work had not been done for his own benefit he should simply wait it out. His wait and trust in the system resulted in the \$5,000 fine.

Hewitt also brought in retired Trent University Professor Jim Nighswander (who was credited for having the Clear Lake Reserve designated a park) and asked him to walk the trail with him last November. "When we got to the far end I asked him for his honest opinion and he said he thought someone had an axe to grind. Both lawyers who looked at the huge disclosure package prepared by MNR said the same thing, but I simply couldn't afford to fight it."

According to Hewitt he had also been involved in discussions to develop and expand the trail in preparation for improved cross country skiing and hiking. "MNR representatives at the meeting advised us that a work permit would be required and Trails and Tours agreed to submit an application for a permit."

There was no follow up from the meeting and, while the repairs Hewitt made had nothing to do with the pro-



posed expansion, officials advised him that he knew a permit was needed to expand the trail, create a new trail, do any ditching or create by-pass trails and he should have applied for one himself.

In December Hewitt asked in writing how many other hunt camps that applied for and received work permits to put split logs or boards across creeks but he received no response. Hewitt maintains "That's because no one

has ever asked."

As it was suggested by MNR that Hewitt had done the work for his own benefit, the Voice asked him if he would benefit in any way from the work. He said, "The MNR officer was of the mind that I built the trail to access my camp but the trail has been here for 50 years and I've always had access to the camp." Hewitt acknowledged that there may have been some personal benefit particularly as several of the men he hunts with are advancing in years, but his primary goal was to fix it up for people to have a better experience when hiking the area.

Hewitt insists that he still feels he did not step outside the bounds set by the Ministry to maintain the trail. What is apparent is that the views of a number of people who hike and hunt in the area differ considerably from the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Hewitt is well known as an environmentalist and a man who loves the area and wants it to remain in its beautiful and natural condition. He's also known as being always ready to help the community in any way he can. What is also apparent from an afternoon's hike along the trail is that considerable evidence exists to suggest that Hewitt has not been treated fairly. ■

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Minden RiverKings win 6-3 with shortened Roster

Devin Hunter taken to hospital with shoulder injury

By Matthew Flowers

If Saturday's exhibition game is any indication of what is to come for the approaching regular season, the Minden RiverKings will be an entertaining team filled with fire and never quit attitude. Despite being outnumbered two-to-one, the RiverKings pulled out an impressive 6-3 win over the Brock Bucks of Beaverton, Ontario.

Minden's Matt Eno scored two goals, while Zach Joanu, Tyler Wright, Drew Moffat, and Colen Nowry each had one apiece for the RiverKings.

Minden dominated from the opening faceoff, outthrusting and outplaying the Bucks in the early going, appearing to try and jump out to an early lead to avoid playing catch-up later on with a depleted staff. Head coach Evan Kernohan's plans, however, do not change at the start of the game based on who he has available.

"Fight right after the first faceoff-- that's my philosophy," Kernohan says, "regardless of how many skaters we have."

Zach Joanu opened the scoring for the RiverKings on their first powerplay, one of several powerplays Minden had due to an undisciplined Bucks team. Though they got the lead they were looking for, Minden had to face further adversity when local Devin Hunter was forced to leave the game with a shoulder injury shortly after the first goal. Hunter was knocked into the boards and onto the ice, where he stayed down for several minutes. He was able to skate off with some assistance, but had to be taken to the hospital, where he was diagnosed with a separated shoulder. Minden played the rest of the game with 9 skaters to Brock's 18.

The RiverKings were up 2-0 at one point in the 1st period, but the Bucks came back and tied it early in the 2nd. Tempers began to flare as many penalties were given out to both sides, but only the River Kings could take advantage on their powerplay, going up 3-2 after some great cycling of the puck down low.

Minden would regain their two goal lead off a great individual effort by Colen Nowry. The Bucks were skating out of the defensive zone with the puck when Colen, acting as the lone forechecker, rushed in and stole the puck from the unsuspecting Bucks forward at the blue line. He skated in alone and ripped a shot past the goalkeeper for the 4-2 lead.

The game became very tense in the third period when the Bucks scored on a 5-on-3 powerplay to pull within one. The crowd in attendance could sense that their Minden team was tiring at this point, many shouting to the players to "get one or two more!", knowing full well that a one goal cushion may not be enough. Matt Eno replied in kind, firing a low shot from the top of the circle that the goalie maybe should have had.



Coach Evan Kernohan, Zach Joanu, Mitch Vasey, Matt Eno, Josh Shaw (assistant coach).

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"Oh no, I saw that one go in, that was me picking my spot," says Eno with a smile.

Despite Eno's insurance marker, it was still a tense match, especially when the RiverKings took a penalty with 9 minutes left to go. Kernohan called a timeout to give his guys a "breather," and it must have worked. Not only do they kill off the penalty, but Eno would score shortly after from the same spot as before, only this time a laser slap shot that went top cheese.

"The turning point of the game was killing off that penalty," says Kernohan. Something the coach could sense during the game, shouting clearly during his timeout that "this penalty could decide the game."

The Bucks would come close to scoring when they hit the crossbar at the 5 minute mark, but after the penalty kill and their 6th goal, the RiverKings had this one well in hand.

This is the last Exhibition game for the RiverKings before the regular season starts on September 11th when they travel to Po-wassan to face the Dragons. Their Home Opener is on Sunday, September 20th at 5:30pm versus the South Muskoka Shield. For more information on the team and schedule, check out www.mindenriverkings.com, or head over to www.gmhl.net for more on the League. ■

Have Your Say... VOX POP

Do you think the farmers market has been a success? Do you try to buy a lot of local produce?

If you had to do a strict food shop of only buying local food (i.e. 100 mile diet) do you think you could do it? What's your favourite piece of local produce?



Florence Giddins

It's my first time today but it seems pretty busy here. Yes I try to buy local produce, its more hands on and better quality. I try to buy whatever's in season, like right now tomatoes and zucchini. Yes if I made a concerted effort I think I could do the 100 mile diet.



Greg Cameron

I think it's been a success, I come here every week, you have to get here early as the food sells quickly. I'm trying to get to an organic diet, so I know where my food is coming from. I do think I could do the 100 mile diet; I'm trying to get back to a local diet. The kale is great and I've been buying spinach and lettuce to make into smoothies.



Rita Baird

Yes I think it's been 100% a success, everybody is talking about how good it is, especially for jobs around here. I always try to buy Canadian, fresh, home-grown food. I think I could buy only produce that is locally grown. The corn is magnificent this time of year.



Tonja Kilpatrick

It's my first time to the market this year, as I live in Carnarvon but it seems to be good produce and a good variety. Where we live there is a local fruit stand and we go there a lot. I love corn on the cob and peaches.

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Climate Plan B

Britain's most eminent scientific body recommends that an ambitious research project be launched to find ways to reverse global warming, should the world's governments prove unable to agree on policies to curb greenhouse gas emissions. The Royal Society calls for a 10-year, \$163 million effort to study such geoengineering technologies as removing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and reflecting sunlight back into space on a massive scale. Both schemes may become necessary should Earth suddenly lurch into a hotter climate, the report said. The society says geoengineering responses to climate change should not be the last options considered, but it hopes they will not be necessary. "Nothing should divert us from the priority of reducing global carbon dioxide emissions and ensuring that the December (climate) meeting in Copenhagen does lead to real progress," said Royal Society president and renowned astrophysicist Lord Rees of Ludlow.

Slushy Arctic Summer

Lingering summertime ice across the Canadian Arctic has made trans-polar navigation more difficult over the past month despite the two previous consecutive hot summers that provided virtually clear sailing. The Canadian Ice Service says pockets of more extensive freezing last winter and drifting concentrations of thick, older ice caused "choke points" across the Northwest Passage. Despite this summer's apparent pause in a dramatic trend of Arctic melting, the U.S. Snow and Ice Data Center has predicted another near-record meltdown by mid-September, when Arctic ice normally reaches its minimum coverage.

Tidal Mystery

The U.S. agency NOAA says it has uncovered the reason why tides have been anywhere from several inches to 2 feet higher than normal this summer from Maine to Florida. Researchers say that a rare combination of persistent north-easterly winds and a weakened ocean current were responsible. The winds were the main cause of higher tides from New England to Delaware, while a weakening of the Florida Current Transport, a current that feeds into the Gulf Stream, caused higher tides to the south. The two factors merged along the mid-Atlantic coast to cause the highest tides of all around cities like Baltimore.

Hippo Drought

Wildlife officials in Kenya say that hippos as well as elephants are now perishing due to the protracted drought that has parched a broad swath of East Africa. Fifteen hippos were found dead in Tsavo West National Park over the past several weeks. Rangers say that drought has withered the grazing areas that the animals feed on when they are not submerged in pools during the day to escape the equatorial sun. The Kenya Wildlife Service has begun to provide bales of hay around lakes and near river banks. Some of the park's lodges are also spreading kitchen scraps around where the toothy animals normally feed.

Tropical Cyclones

Former Category 4 Hurricane Jimena blew down shacks in poor fishing villages and caused major flooding in Baja California.

Tropical Storm Kevin swirled over the open Pacific well to the west of Baja California.

Storm-force Typhoon Krovanh uprooted trees and caused local flooding as it skirted the Japanese coast just east of Tokyo.

Tropical Storm Erika lost force over Puerto Rico and the Windward Islands.

Earthquakes

One of the year's most powerful earthquakes killed more than 50 people and wrecked hundreds of buildings on the Indonesian heart-land island of Java. More than 300 others were injured by the 7.0 magnitude jolt.

A northwest China mine collapsed and about 30 nearby homes were wrecked by a powerful quake and hundreds of aftershocks.

Earth movements were also felt in northern New Zealand, northeastern India, central Greece, South Carolina and eastern Tennessee.

Bovine Suicide

A pile of 28 dead cows and three bull carcasses discovered hundreds of feet below a cliff in the Swiss Alps has police and local farmers baffled. "In my 30 years in farming, I have never known a single cow to fall off a cliff, and now it seems they are queuing up to walk off like lemmings," nearby resident Bernd Eberhardt told reporters. Local police in Soutal say they are investigating the tragedy because "cows growing up in the mountains normally can estimate dangers and do not plunge down cliffs." Since there are no native scavengers left in the Alps to consume the cows' remains, rescue teams removed the carcasses by helicopter so they could properly be disposed of.

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Sep 18	7:30PM	Minden at South Muskoka
Sep 20	5:30PM	South Muskoka at Minden
Sep 24	9:00PM	Innisfil at Minden
Sep 25	9:00PM	Algoma at Minden
Sep 27	5:30PM	Oro-Medonte at Minden
Oct 2	9:00PM	Deseronto at Minden
Oct 3	7:30PM	Minden at Deseronto
Oct 14	7:00PM	Minden at Oro-Medonte
Oct 16	9:00PM	Brock at Minden
Oct 17	7:30PM	Brock at Minden
Oct 18	5:30PM	Oro-Medonte at Minden
Oct 24	7:30PM	Minden at Brock
Oct 29	7:30PM	Minden at Algoma
Oct 30	7:30PM	Minden at Algoma
Nov 1	5:30PM	Oro-Medonte at Minden
Nov 6	7:30PM	Minden at South Muskoka
Nov 7	7:30PM	Minden at Brock
Nov 13	9:00PM	King at Minden
Nov 14	8:00PM	Minden at King
Nov 15	7:30PM	Minden at Bradford
Nov 20	9:00PM	Deseronto at Minden
Dec 2	7:00PM	Minden at Oro-Medonte
Dec 4	7:30PM	Minden at Deseronto
Dec 11	9:00PM	Brock at Minden
Dec 12	7:30PM	Minden at Brock
Dec 18	9:00PM	Toronto at Minden
Dec 19	7:30PM	South Muskoka at Minden
Jan 2	7:35PM	Minden at Toronto
Jan 8	9:00PM	Deseronto at Minden
Jan 9	7:30PM	Powassan at Minden
Jan 17	2:30PM	Minden at South Muskoka
Jan 23	7:30PM	South Muskoka at Minden
Jan 31	5:30PM	Algoma at Minden
Feb 5	7:30PM	Minden at Deseronto
Feb 7	5:30PM	Elliot Lake at Minden
Feb 17	7:00PM	Minden at Oro-Medonte
Feb 18	9:00PM	Bradford at Minden
Feb 19	9:00PM	Brock at Minden
April 1	8:30PM	Minden at Brock

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Kai-Shin North Karate

"All people see is the physicality of it, but it's much more than that. It's also about mental strength."



"People didn't think it would last six months. Ten years later and we're still here," said Mike Chapman with a grin. Mike isn't a man that will let negative hearsay get in the way of making sure that his karate club is the best that it can be. When he came to Haliburton 10 years ago, all he had was a sledgehammer and a sleeping bag to start his dream. He slept under the stairs of the 'dojo' (Japanese for training area) for three months, working furiously into the night to get his club started until he found somewhere to live. His undying passion for the sport, coupled with his optimistic nature has made the club the place it is today: somewhere for kids to go and become team players, to build self-esteem and step away from their shyness. Mike is emphatic that the club is a family unit, "Everyone just sees the kick and the punch

but it's more than that, it's a family oriented place, it teaches people discipline, its enables them to become more focused, it's about developing life skills."

Mike however didn't start out with karate; he used to be a boxer. "I was too short, everyone kept beating me up!" When a friend encouraged him to get into karate, he thrived immediately. He loved the structure of the sport, and enjoyed the results he got from the hard work he put in. And in 1977 he started his first club in the west end of Toronto.

Mike has not only started a successful club and kept it running for so long, he has also

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By Zoe Cittern



helped many kids with behavioural problems through karate. One day when Mike was teaching a class in Toronto in 1978 he noticed a young boy looking through the window, watching the class and copying each move. "I went outside the club to speak to him. All of a sudden the kid starts yelling an obscenity at me. This nine year old little boy, runny nose, toes hanging out his shoes, dirty hair, dirty clothes. I could tell this kid was hurting. Two weeks later I see this boy walking down the street with his mother. I said I want to teach your son karate, the mom says I don't have any money for that. I didn't ask you for any money" said Mike. "I didn't want to offer nothing for nothing; I needed somebody to do some painting in my club, so that was his way of coming into the class. So every third class he'd come and paint: there was a wall about six by eight feet that was about four feet away from our doorway. So he painted it: and painted it. And by the time he was finished, nine or years later, that wall I swear was at least six inches closer to the doorway.

Well, that young boy is now a crown attorney in Toronto. "Years later, in 1989, I got a letter from his mom saying thank you. This kid was a gangster at nine years old, now he's a crown attorney. He could easily have gone the other way, but karate gave him the structure he needed and someone to give him support."

Mike has 40 years karate experience; he is a senior instructor with a sixth degree black belt. He's adamant that karate should

be regulated to make sure that inexperienced people don't start teaching, which many already do. "Anyone nowadays can get a black belt, all you need is to call a number and for 48 bucks you've got one. Anyone who opens a dojo, should be a second or third degree black belt, they can't just be a black belt for six months and then open a dojo, they need time to develop teaching skills."

Mike is passionate about the sport and explains, "This is my full-time job, I'm a martial artist, I'm not a french fry salesman. I take my position very seriously." The Haliburton club is fortunate enough to be part of the kai-shin karate association, the oldest and biggest association in Canada. This means Mike is able to grade members; they can go to other competitions with other karate clubs in the area and attend seminars about karate. Tsuroka, the man who brought karate to Canada, is leading a seminar in Toronto, September 11th and this means that the club is fortunate enough to attend. "Any other karate club that isn't part of an association like ours is not able to do this. You could train for years and then the teacher would not even be able to grade you a colour."

Another change Mike would like to see is a greater percentage of women in the sport. "All people see is the physicality of it, but it's much more than that, it's also about mental strength." Mike also explained that at one point women weren't even allowed in martial arts at all. Karate can also build important self-defence skills and Mike does run defence classes. Mike also understands the demands of life, that it isn't always easy to commit to a structured weekly group class, that's why he also offers private classes, designed around your schedule. Asked if he'll ever retire from the sport, "never, my sensei (meaning teacher) will eventually get older and if I'm lucky enough he'll pass the torch to me."

The club is open Monday through Thursday and Saturday morning. If you'd like more information about the sport and starting a class call Mike (705) 457-3616 or better yet call in for a free class at 229 Highland Street, Haliburton. If you'd like more information on martial arts in general come to the Haliburton arena, October 4th at 11.30am-4pm, where there will be a karate tournament, free for anyone to come along and watch. ■



Top: Mike Chapman holding a picture of Tsuyoshi Chitose, who was the founder of a particular style of karate which is taught and practised today, all over Canada.

Above: Alanna Dahlke, Archin Patel, Caroline Dahlke, Brittany Emasuen, Sensei Mike Chapman and Luke Boisvert with two friends



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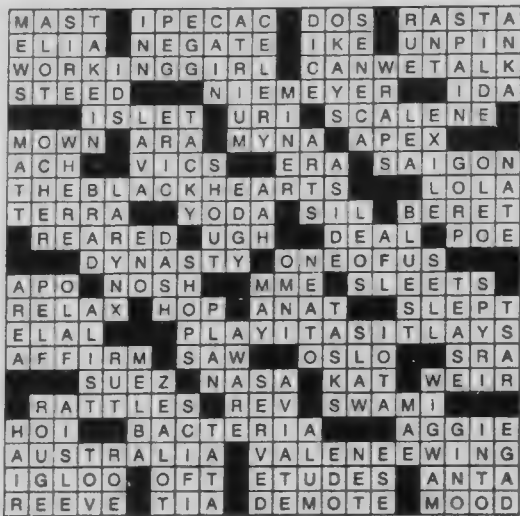
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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

BEFRIENDING FORMER COLLEAGUE MAY CAUSE TROUBLE AT WORK

DEAR ABBY: I live in a small city in the South, which means everyone knows everyone. A former co-worker, "Dina," moved across the street from me. We're friendly, but not too close. She and I taught at the same school. While Dina doesn't always do things in a way I think is socially correct, she's a good soul who cares about her students. My principal likes me, which makes my work life much easier, but strongly dislikes Dina. Abby, my principal has a "guilt by association" view of the world. I'm afraid to go out with Dina in case my boss should see me. While this may seem unsociable, I worry for my professional future. I don't want to jeopardize it for someone who may not be a longtime friend. Any advice? — IN A CORNER IN GEORGIA

DEAR IN A CORNER: Your principal appears to be controlling, judgmental, someone who plays favorites, and generally a truly awful person. However, unless you're willing to stand up for yourself and the fact that you are entitled to a personal life, you will be looking over your shoulder until the day you retire. Live your life, and if your principal retaliates in any way, take the matter to the administrator who supervises your boss.

DEAR ABBY: "Leila" and I have been friends since high school. We've grown closer over the last few years. The problem is her dog, "Prince." Her life is wrapped around that animal. Prince sleeps with her, eats off her plate and drinks from her glass. He has a stroller. When Leila brought him to the funeral home, it was the last straw. Prince "groomed" himself the whole time, and she had him sit near me. She has also asked me to "baby-sit" her dog at work while she runs errands. (Prince is not a guide dog or service dog.) Leila frequently invites me to her home to eat, but I make excuses because, frankly, it isn't clean. Prince requires everyone's full attention and often vomits when I'm there. I don't invite Leila to my home because I know she'll bring the dog. I don't like animals on my furniture. Now don't get me wrong. I like dogs. I have owned several in the past. But I cannot stand that one. I'm running out of excuses not to visit her. If we go out, we have to cut things short because she has to get back to "him," and I end up being left to pay the check. I am single, with one income. Leila owns her own business, and her husband earns six figures. Help! — FED UP WITH FIDO

DEAR FED UP: Your problem isn't the dog. It's Leila. She turned you into a baby sitter for her dog during business hours? I can see it happening once during an emergency — but if you agreed to it after that, then you need to learn how to say no. As to cutting your visits short because she has to get back to the dog, she could make other arrangements for him while she goes out with you. My advice is to ask her to repay her share of the meal tabs she has stuck you with. If this presumptuous woman disappears after that, your problem will be solved.

DEAR ABBY: Can you settle a family argument? Who "owns" the leftovers? The person who orders the food or the person who foots the bill? — KATE IN CONNECTICUT

DEAR KATE: If an entree is ordered in a restaurant, whatever uneaten food remains on someone's plate would belong to that person. Ditto for a dessert that went with the meal. P.S. If it has reached the point that your family is fighting over food scraps, you're all in more trouble than an advice columnist can fix.

For week of: Sept 14th

Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You're not timid about pushing to have your aims realized once you've set your mind to accomplishing your goals.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
An offer to help with a stalled project should reassure you that you have a workable plan in spite of the problems in getting it up and running. The week's end brings more positive news.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
A past problem about a workplace situation re-emerges early in the week. Talking things out helps ease tensions by mid-week, but some hurt feelings could linger a few more days.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Optimistic aspects dominate your efforts. However, expect to confront some criticism, some of which might be valid, so keep an open mind. But overall, it's your views that will count.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
Social interaction with new people, especially on the job, could be a bit strained in the early part of the week. But the awkwardness passes as you get to know each other better.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
Expect news about a follow-up to a workplace change that could make a difference in your career path. Meanwhile, new friends widen the circle for all you Social Lions who love to party.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
Enjoy your well-earned plaudits for a job well done. But be aware that some people might not share your colleagues' admiration, and you might have to work harder to win them over.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
It's a good week to recheck your probably already overlong "to do" list and decide what to keep and what to discard. Lose the clutter and focus your energy on what's really important.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
This is a good time to take a new perspective on what you've been offered. Expanding your view could help to uncover any plusses or minuses that weren't apparent at first.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
Applying the usual methods to this week's unique challenges might not work too well. Instead, use your creativity to find a way to resolve any impasse that develops.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
So what if fate throws some obstacles in your path this week? Just keep in mind that the sure-footed and resolute Goat can get past any barrier by focusing on the goals up ahead.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
This week calls for better communication with people in both your private life and the workplace. Start by asking questions, and then pay close attention to the answers.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
Potentially beneficial workplace changes could be closer than you realize. Make sure you know what's going on so that you're not left high and dry when the good things happen.

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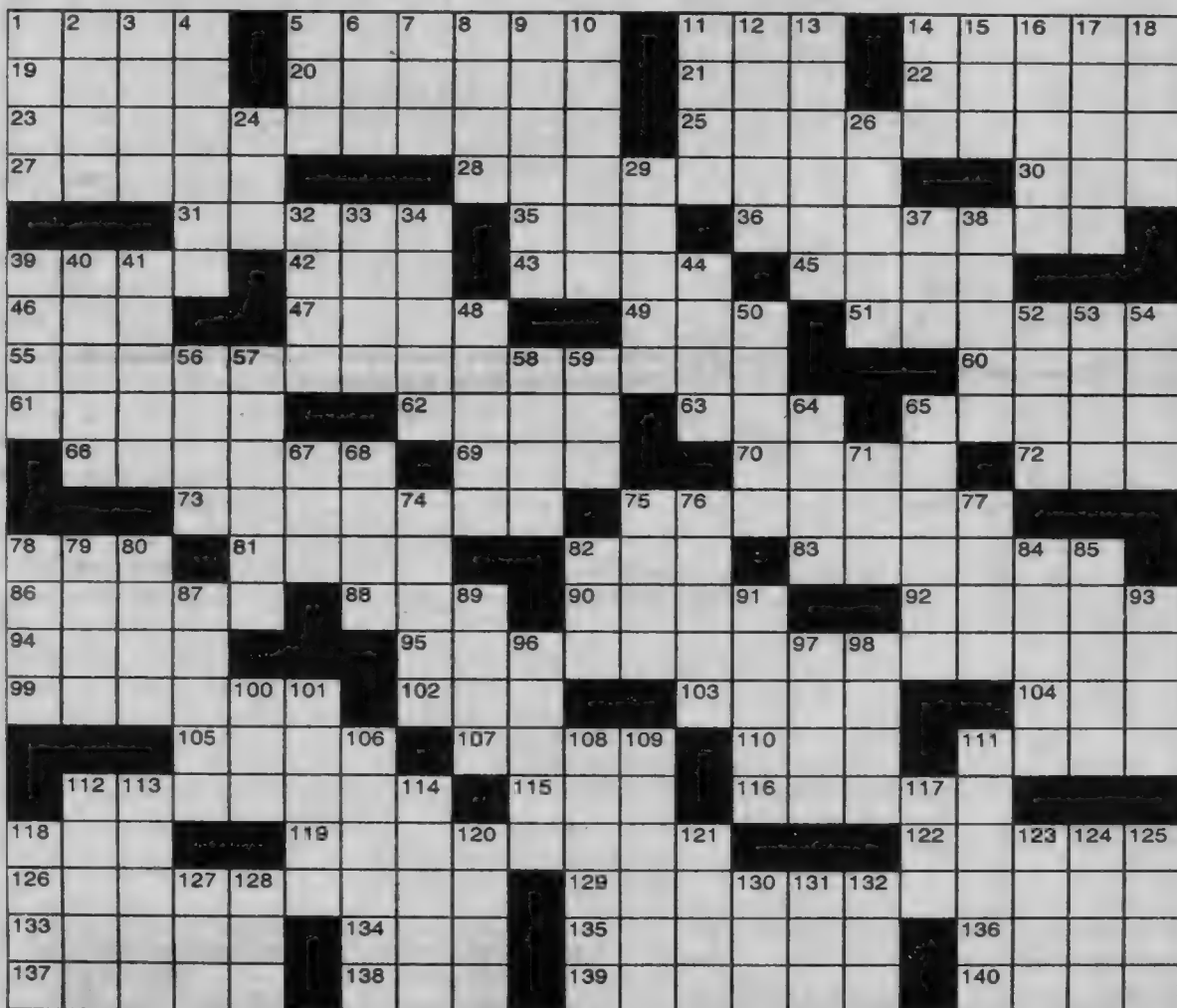
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37 Meadow
38 Ovid's fate
39 "The Simpsons" creator
40 Paint pigment
- 41 "— ignorance is bliss..."
44 Part of M.A.
48 "Twist and —" ('62 hit)
50 Out of the way
52 Trail mix
53 Butter sub
54 Hoopster Archibald
56 Nail type
57 It's down in the mouth
58 Nervous
59 Contented sigh
64 Composer Janacek
65 Most morose
67 Rock producer Brian
68 Salt serving
71 Workers' grp.
74 Has a ball at the mall
75 Bus starter?
76 Peachy-keen
77 Push a product
78 Locality
79 Lucre
80 Norwegian name
82 Merry month
84 Make one's hair stand on end?
85 "Heidi" author
- 87 "He's making —"
89 Scheme
91 Chores
93 Godunov, e.g.
96 Cognizant
97 Cabbage concoction
98 Bit
100 Furrow
101 Diva Nellie
106 Radical
108 Socked a shuttlecock
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111 Little house on the prairie?
112 It makes women blush
113 Passageway
114 Bookstore section
117 Ginnie —
118 It grows on you
120 "Later!"
121 Grad
123 Singer Vannelli
124 "So — You" ('77 song)
125 "Heavens to Betsy!"
127 "Mazel —!"
128 "Sheila" singer
130 Ancient Tokyo
131 Ensnare
132 Nationality suffix



ISAAC ASIMOV'S SUPER QUIZ

Take this Isaac Asimov's Super Quiz to a Ph.D. Score 1 point for each correct answer on the Freshman Level, 2 points on the Graduate Level and 3 points on the Ph.D. Level.

Subject: WORLD'S CLEANEST COUNTRIES

Based on the Environmental Performance Index 2008. Scores are provided. (e.g., No. 1: Its largest city is Zurich. (95.5)

Answer: Switzerland.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. Nos. 2-3: These two neighboring countries of northwest Europe tied. (93.1)

Answer

2. No. 4: Their neighbor to the east ranked fourth. (91.4)

Answer

3. No. 5: This Central American country ranked fifth. (90.5)

Answer

GRADUATE LEVEL

4. No. 6: It provided the setting for "The Sound of Music." (89.4)

Answer

5. No. 7: The land of the kiwi. (88.9)

Answer

6. No. 8: This Baltic country ranked

eighth. (88.8)

Answer

PH.D. LEVEL

7. No. 9: A South American country. (88.3)

Answer

8. No. 10: A large European country. (87.8)

Answer

9. No. 11: An island country in the Atlantic Ocean. (87.6)

Answer

ANSWERS: 1. Norway and Sweden.

2. Finland. 3. Costa Rica. 4. Austria. 5. New Zealand. 6. Latvia. 7. Colombia. 8. France. 9. Iceland.

SCORING:

18 points — congratulations, doctor; 15 to 17 points — honors graduate; 10 to 14 points — you're plenty smart, but no grind; 4 to 9 points — you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 3 points — enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points — who reads the questions to you?

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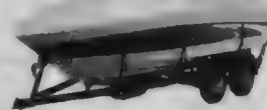
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A Party at the Zion United Church

By Mark Arike



Rockin' Tunes, Delicious Food and Friendly Folks

Have you ever been to a church BBQ and street dance party? Well, if you weren't at the one hosted by the Zion United Church in Carnarvon this past Saturday afternoon, you missed out on a good time.

"We're running a lot of events this year because we're trying to be a focus of the community," said Fred Chapple, chairman of the event. "The last time we held this particular event was in '93' to welcome a new minister to the church by the name of Peter Walford-Davis along with his wife Barbara. It was a success then so we decided to bring it back."

Chapple said that most of the residents on East Rd. (the road the church is on) were planning on coming out for the evening's festivities which included live entertainment from Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band, face-painting and a clown.

Along with the cost of admission to the event, those in attendance were able to feast on beef-on-a-bun, potato salad, coleslaw and free popcorn. □



Kinmount Fair Has Record Breaking Weekend



Kinmount Ambassador, Bailey Robinson and Citizen of the year, Ralph Pearson

Treasurer Joanne MacDonald reported a very successful year at the Kinmount Fair, attendance was up although final figures aren't in, the numbers were sure to be well over 20,000 (last year some 18,000 attended.) The truck-tractor pull had more entries than ever before, and the dance featuring, Ambush, drew a crowd second only to the year Bobby Curtola entertained. Fernandez the Hypnotist had a great response in his first showing in Kinmount, and the trailer park was sold out with approximately 600 trailers being accommodated.

Two things are often mentioned when Kinmount comes up in conversations, the Kinmount Fair and Highlands Cinemas. As the eclectic movie theater is celebrating its 30th year, owner Keith Stata was invited to share anniversary festivities and to officially open the 130th Kinmount Fair. Seventeen-year-old Bailey Robinson of Omamee was crowned fair ambassador and Ralph Pearson was honoured with citizen of the year.

The weather, one of the nicest weekends of the summer, certainly was a factor in getting the crowds out as well.

According to fair director Guy Scott, "If you have long traffic jams and full garbage cans, you've had a successful fair, and we had lots of both".

An hour and a half after the parade was scheduled, it still took an hour to drive from Minden to the Kinmount fairgrounds. Some fairgoers who sat in vehicles for extended periods of time were confronted with a "Lot Full" sign when finally arriving at the gate. Both Scott and McDonald were in agreement that the parking and traffic problems need to be addressed. Scott pointed out that the bridge in town served as a bottleneck that somewhat defies a traffic solution on parade day. His advice is to arrive early.

At this point it seems that nobody is entertaining the idea of moving the parade to the fairgrounds. In light of the traffic blockages along two major routes, it may be a matter of time until an accident, and the ensuing difficulties posed for emergency vehicles, may bring the venue under greater scrutiny.

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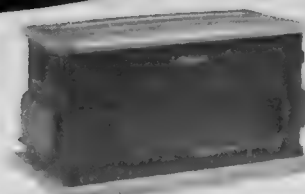
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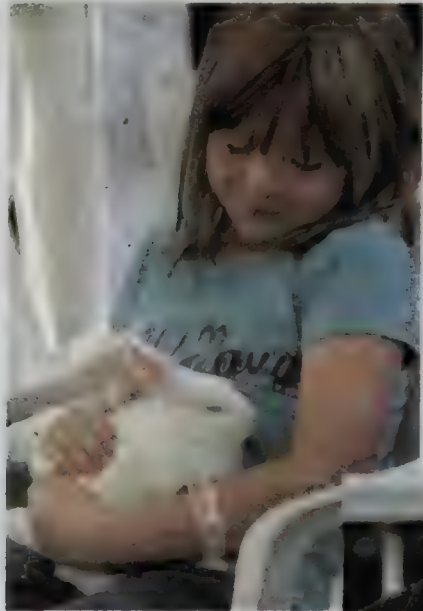
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This series of courses is being offered as part of the County of Haliburton's Broadband Outreach Program. This program is made possible by generous funding received through the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs' (OMAFRA) Rural Connections Broadband Program. Everyone is encouraged to take advantage of these reasonably priced, yet very interesting, courses.

Internet, Email, and You

This 3-hour introductory level course is directed at individuals interested in learning about the exciting world of the internet. Course content will include web browsing, email, social networking, accessing government services, and other uses of the internet.

Section 1 - Tuesday, September 15 Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Section 2 - Thursday, November 5 Time: 9:00am-Noon

Section 3 - Saturday, November 21 Time: 9:00am-Noon

Instructor: Peter Smith

Fee: \$10.00

Internet Safety and Security

This 3-hour beginner-intermediate level course is directed at individuals seeking to understand and manage some of the perceived dangers of the internet. The first part of the course will address data and systems security in the face of spam, phishing, viruses, and junk mail. Secondly, the course will help in 'web-proofing' systems and children from undesirable content and social interactions.

Section 1 - Tuesday, September 22 Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Section 2 - Thursday, November 12 Time: 9:00am-Noon

Section 3 - Saturday, November 28 Time: 9:00am-Noon

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Your Domain - Your Brand

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Section 1 - Tuesday, September 29 Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Section 2 - Thursday, November 19 Time: 9:00am-Noon

Section 3 - Saturday, December 5 Time: 9:00am-Noon

Instructor: Peter Smith

Fee: \$10.00

Understanding Web Design

This 3-hour intermediate level course is directed at small/medium business operators looking to manage the development, or redevelopment, of a business website. The objective of the course is not to teach people how to program their own website, instead it is designed to help business operators effectively work with web designers. Essentially, the goal is to teach what is happening 'under the hood' of a business website. Topics to be covered include HTML, Flash, cgi scripting (php, ASP, JavaScript, etc.), and database integration.

Section 1 - Tuesday, October 6 Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Section 2 - Thursday, November 26 Time: 9:00am-Noon

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Parcel No. 1 - Part Lot 31 Concession 5 Stanhope part of Part 1 Plan 19R7965.
The property consists of approximately 1.6 acres with 200 feet of frontage on Stanhope Airport Road. This property is developed with a single family dwelling and an open metal Quonset hanger building.

Parcel No. 2 - Part Lot 31 Concession 5 Stanhope part of Part 1 Plan 19R7965.
The property consists of approximately 1.58 acres with 293 feet of frontage on Green Lake Road and 150.77 feet of frontage on Stanhope Airport Road.
This property is vacant land.

"Expressions of Interest" should include proposed future uses; renovations; new development; additions and proposed purchase price. All proposals will be considered having regard to proposed uses and purchase price.

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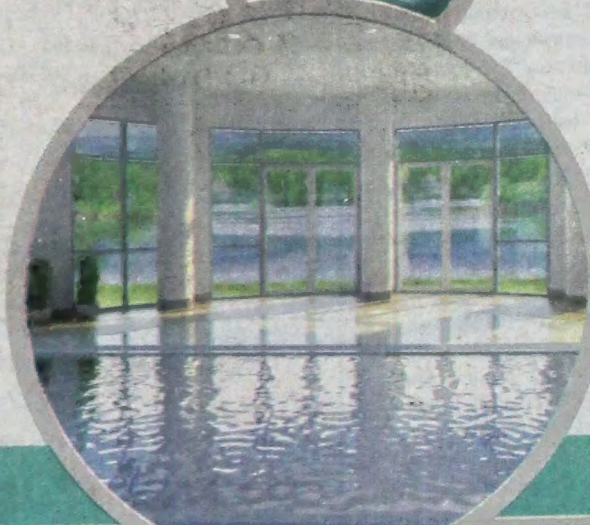
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BURNT RIVER - \$109,000



Cozy 3 bedroom cottage with loads of character. Features stone fireplace, pine floors. Level lot with 250 feet frontage on the Burnt River. Cottage could use some TLC and is priced to sell. Estate sale being sold 'As Is'. No hydro.

David Lee * 286-1234 ex. 231

HORSESHOE LAKE - \$259,000



Charming, maintenance free and very private is the best way to describe this 2 bedroom cottage on Horseshoe Lake. Pine interior with walk out to a spacious deck by the lake. You will enjoy the clean waterfront and big lake view. Horseshoe Lake is close to Minden and amenities, plus a two lake chain.

David Lee * 286-1234 ex. 231

CRANBERRY LAKE - \$354,000



Lakefront living at it's best! This large three bedroom home sits on a level lot with a big lake view and sand shore. Conveniently located minutes from 'Sir Sam's Area' with 12 downhill runs and 6 lifts. Snowmobile trails are close by and skating on the lake out front. Easy year round access on municipal road. Huge living room and dining room with patio doors. Spacious master bedroom with ensuite and wonderful lake views. Plus more.

Tom Gardner * 286-1234 ex. 224

CRYSTAL LAKE - \$149,000



Renovated three bedroom cottage with deeded access to Crystal Lake. Features: drilled well, heated line, fully winterized, full basement, small barn for storage, dock space available. Great beach. Great for ATV or snowmobile. Large 2 acre lot.

Peter Franzen * 286-1234 ex. 222

KNOB HILL COURT - \$279,000



Beautiful family bungalow in an area of fine homes. Four bedroom 1,564 sq ft home. Home features: built-in microwave, wood stove, fully finished basement, rec room, 4 pce & 2 pce baths, plenty of storage area plus utility room. Recent upgrades include: new roof in 2009.

Ed Gibbons * 286-1234 ex. 225

KUSHOG LAKE ROAD - \$349,900



Outstanding 4 bedroom brick home. Well kept home that features a large eat-in kitchen, rec room, office, finished lower level with walkout to patio area and a deck. Master bedrooms has a balcony & a 4 pce bath. Home has 1,500 sq ft of living space, with Bay window in livingroom, plus a attached garage.

Ed Gibbons * 286-1234 ex. 225

GULL LAKE - \$599,900



Prime waterfront parcel on prestigious Gull Lake offering 193 ft frtg & 1 acre. Rugged natural setting w/ majestic pines & breath taking panoramic SE view. Clean deep smooth rock shoreline, natural granite walkways & extensive decking/ docking. Panabode cedar 3 + bdrm 4 season log home plus much more.

Al Mayo * 286-1234 ex. 233

KUSHOG LAKE - \$489,000



TOTAL PRIVACY on much sought after Kushog Lake. Year round 3 bedroom cottage on a well treed lot with no grass to cut. Relax in the hot tub, enjoy the clean waterfront and west facing exposure. Large docks and lots of area at the lake. Yours to enjoy every season.

Al Mayo * 286-1234 ex. 233

HALLS LAKE - \$399,000



Beautiful 3+1 BR waterfront home/cottage on Halls Lake. Open concept living makes it great for entertaining. Huge master bedroom, main floor laundry, walk-out basement. Also has 2 BR bunkie for guests. One of the Vendors is a Registered Real Estate Salesperson

Tom Gardner * 286-1234 ex. 224

CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD - \$154,900



Licensed sand and gravel pit - large acreage in Kinnmount area with large beaver pond - deeded access off Galway Road.

Peter Franzen * 286-1234 ex. 222

PERFECT BUILDING LOT - \$35,000



One terrific building lot - private, cleared with the septic already installed! What a saving! This gorgeous lot comes with a shed and is just a short stroll from the public beach on Halls Lake and a stone's throw away from the Kennisis River and fabulous tubing into Halls Lake! Hurry this lot won't last.

Lindsay Elder ** 286-1234 ex. 223 or 457-5878

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HUNTER CREEK - \$329,900



Wonderful options...hmm...swim in your own private heated inground 20 x 40 pool or take a short drive to one of hundreds of lakes in Haliburton Highlands for great water sports. Set on a large one acre lot, this custom built 5 bdrm., 4 bathroom home has an att. 2 car gar. &/or workshop. Enclosed hot tub is built into the large cedar deck offering great entertainment opportunities. Plus more.

Call Patti or Hal at 705-457-0819 or 457-7538

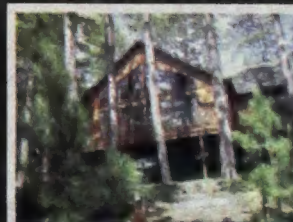
CLEAR LAKE CLOSE BY - \$189,900



Well appointed bungalow has beautiful views from the bay window in the front livingroom and then out the back from the screened-in sunroom onto your own 5 acre forest. A combination of wood and linoleum flooring in the open concept kitchen, living and dining areas. 4 bdrs., 2 bathrooms and loads of parking.

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GRACE LAKE - \$899,000



Stunning log waterfront home or cottage located on one of Haliburton County's pretties lakes. Enjoy the hard sand shoreline and an inground spa plus extensive decking. Features 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, vaulted ceilings, open concept, floor to ceiling fireplace.

Larry Hassey * 286-1234, ext 230

OLD CAMERON RD. - \$30,000



1.41 Acre back lot on private road off Highway 35 and Sandy Bay Road - nicely treed building lot - old dug well on property - walking distance to Gull Lake.

Susan Johnson * 457-2414, ext 44

KUSHOG LAKE - \$559,900



Direct waterfront one acre parcel with 151.51 ft. frontage - clean shoreline, western 'sunset' exposure and year round access. Solid brick/stone 3+1 bedroom, 2 washroom home offers approximately 2,800 sq. ft. of luxury living space. Totally finished 2 level home features cathedral pine ceilings, floor to ceiling windows, plus more!

Lorri Roberts * 457-2414 ext. 43

KUSHOG LAKE - \$599,000



Prime 1 acre nicely landscaped waterfront parcel on prestigious Kushog Lake (2 lake chain) offering an abundance of boating & fishing opportunities! Superb paved year round municipal access conveniently located close to all amenities. Clean shoreline, beautiful expansive view, deep water at docks end. Improvements consist of a modern open concept 3 bdrm, 3 bath home offering over 2,000 sq. ft. of luxury living space. Plus more.

Lorri Roberts * 457-2414 ext. 43

MCCUE LAKE VIEW - \$99,900



The perfect family 3 bedroom starter home. Expansive sunset view across McCue Lake from your sunroom. Well maintained landscaped lot with built-in outdoor fireplace. Heated insulated workshop. Bathroom renovated with ceramic floors and ceilings, new oil furnace, drilled well and pump. PLUS MUCH MORE!!

Chris & Michelle Smolatz * 457-2414 ext. 22

3.6 ACRE LOT - \$29,900



An excellent well treed building lot, with easy access off of a year-round municipally maintained and paved road. Close to Wilberforce Village and just down the road from the public access at Clement Lake. The driveway has been installed into the lot and there are a couple of nice spots to choose from to build.

Chris & Michelle Smolatz * 457-2414 ext. 22

12 MILE LAKE - \$599,000



STUNNING NEW LOG HOME on gentle lot tucked into a small bay of 12 Mile Lake with sand waterfront. Features open concept living room with vaulted ceilings and loft. Huge covered porch back & front with gable windows, newly finished with basement almost finished, heated basement floors (radiant).

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MOUNTAIN LAKE - \$474,900



Estate sale 2 separately deeded direct waterfront lots offering 190 ft frontage and 1.54 acres. Well treed, private setting, expansive stunning view, loads of parking and clean shoreline with lakeside boathouse with decking area, loft and dock. Neat & clean 3 bedroom, 1.5 washroom 'viceroy' style year round home/cottage.

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BURNT RIVER - \$99,500



ACREAGE, ACREAGE, ACREAGE!! And more on this large riverfront property. Mixed topography, evergreen & pine trees. Nice sized pond and 1300 feet on the Burnt River. Property abuts Ritchie Falls. Imagine river front living, listen to the Falls, and kayak the river, snowmobile, or ATV on the trail system. Two 13 acre deeded lots divided by the rail trail

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KENNISIS LAKE - \$387,000



3 bdrm, cottage on protected bay of Kennisis Lk. Totally upgraded incl roof. Hardwood floors, pine and drywall make this a complete package to enjoy 4 SEASONS. Lg deck for entertaining and mature trees for those who want to escape the sun. Sand and deep water. Lg cedar docking system. 16x32 insulated garage with heated floors.

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LITTLE KENNISIS - \$499,000



140 ft of sand beach with rock out crops. Total privacy, level lot, and southwest exposure with a large dock. This open concept, cathedral ceiling 3 bedroom cottage with full w/o lower level is a must see.

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RURAL RESIDENTIAL - \$199,900



Excellent rural residential property on 5.76 acres. 2 + 1 bdrms, 2 bathrooms, lge eat-in kitchen w/ separate dining rm area w/ walk-out to deck overlooking the vast hardwood forest. Main floor laundry rm. All ceramic & wood flooring throughout. Att. 2 car garage. Many upgrades incl. newly renovated lower level with walkout. Close to public access on Contau Lake and all groomed snowmobile trails.

Debbie Cumber * 457-2414 ext. 24

KENNISIS RIVER - \$225,000



Beautiful Kennisis River, 174' frontage, .81 acre level waterfront lot off dead end municipal paved road, paved driveway with an abundance of parking, new drilled well, new rear deck and patio overlooking running water of scenic river, close to historic Log Chute, Big Hawk Lake Marina and Halls Lake public beach area. 1,588 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 1.5 washroom home on a full walk out partially finished lower level. Plus much more.

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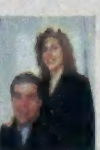
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